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UNLAWFUL SEXUAL INTERCOURSE ARREST (After School Program Coordinator)

A Kit Carson Elementary School 'After-School' Program Coordinator has been arrested on suspicion of having unlawful sexual relations with an underage male.

On April 5, 2012, a 16-year old male and his mother came to the Hawthorne Police Department to report that over the past eight months, the juvenile has been engaged in consensual sexual relations with an 'After-School' program coordinator from Kit Carson Elementary School in Lawndale. The program coordinator was identified as 26-year old Mariya Aldridge of Hawthorne. The victim reported that he has known Aldridge for several years, and that these sexual relations began toward the end of 2011.

After learning of the alleged incident(s), Hawthorne Police Department Investigators responded to Aldridge's home in Hawthorne. Aldridge was arrested on suspicion of 'Unlawful sexual intercourse with a minor'. She was booked at the Hawthorne Police Department and has since posted a \$50,000 bond.

Investigators are continuing their inquiry into this incident. Anyone with any information into these specific allegations is asked to contact the Hawthorne Police Department Detective Bureau at 310.349.2820.

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