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Client

Maryland Department
of Public Safety and
Correctional Services

Project

Geospatial Web
Development and Hosting

Web site

<http://www.dpscs.state.md.us/>



Mapping Maryland's Sex Offender Registry

The Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services (DPSCS) currently provides public Internet access to a registry of Maryland Sex Offenders as part of a state effort to protect children and other vulnerable populations from persons with histories of sexual crimes and offenses.

The Center for GIS at Towson University (CGIS) worked with DPSCS to increase the utility of the registry by adding a mapping component. The resulting application is a publicly available map-enabled Web site that offers access to several user-friendly Internet mapping tools. Individuals can easily find out if anyone convicted of sexual offenses lives in close proximity to their home, shopping, school, or work communities.

Mapping the Sex Offender Registry was launched publicly on August 17, 2006 at the Ocean City Police Department Headquarters. The event coincided with the Maryland Association of Counties annual Summer Conference held in Ocean City.

