



Commissioners Approve Using GPS Technology to Track Sex Offenders

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Friday, Allen County Commissioners approved a one year pilot program that would use GPS technology to more closely monitor fifty sex and violent offenders. The program is one more measure to keep offenders away from schools, and it comes at no cost to the county.

"The Indiana Department of Corrections is paying for the equipment and they're paying us to do the monitoring," says Allen County Department of Corrections spokesperson Stan Pflueger.

Radio frequency devices that are currently in use only let officials know when an offender is at a certain destination.

"Officials would have to individually call those locations to try and locate if person a is at work or if person b is at school," says Pflueger.

Using the new technology, officials will know every move offenders make.

"Other than having a police officer follow everybody that's on home detention... you don't know exactly where they stopped all the time, so the GPS information really gives us that information," says Pflueger.



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