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## NEWS RELEASE

**Event Date and Time:** Thursday, July 6, 2017 at 11:00 am  
**Location:** Maple Street Correctional Center 1300 Maple St. Redwood City  
**Type of Event:** Unveiling of new internet Safe Exchange Zone

REDWOOD CITY – San Mateo County Sheriff Carlos G. Bolanos and County Supervisor David J. Canepa will hold a press conference at 11 a.m., Thursday, July 6, at the Maple Street Correctional Center, to unveil the first county-implemented internet Safe Exchange Zone.

The exchange zone is the result of a working partnership between Sheriff Bolanos and Supervisor Canepa to provide a safe space for members of our community to meet and conduct transactions.

Supervisor Canepa sought out a way to make online purchasing safer after a Daly City resident was shot to death in 2013, after agreeing to meet a potential buyer in San Francisco to sell a Playstation 4. Daly City was the first in San Mateo County to implement an exchange zone last year, a policy proposed by Canepa, who served as the city's vice mayor at the time.

San Mateo County will be the first in the Bay Area to initiate a county-implemented internet Safe Exchange Zone.

"The Sheriff's Office is proud to be part of the county's first implemented Safe Exchange Zone. The exchange zone's goal is to provide a safe space for members of our community to meet and conduct transactions while giving them a sense of security. The Sheriff's Office will continue to look for innovative ways to maintain a high level of safety in San Mateo County," Sheriff Bolanos said.

The Sheriff's Office has designated two parking spaces at the Maple Street Correctional Center, which are marked with posted signs.

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