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Ike Nicholas Souzer

**THIS INDIVIDUAL SHOULD BE CONSIDERED EXTREMELY DANGEROUS AND VIOLENT. DO NOT APPROACH.**

**IF YOU SEE HIM, CALL 911 IMMEDIATELY.**

**Orange County District Attorney Warns Public About  
Extremely Dangerous and Violent Criminal Once Again  
at Large After Walking Away from Halfway House**

*Ike Souzer has violent history of attacking correctional officers; Prosecutors warn he poses a significant public safety threat*

SANTA ANA, Calif. – The Orange County District Attorney's Office is warning the public about an extremely dangerous and violent criminal who is once again at large after he walked away from a halfway house in Santa Ana devoted to helping convicted criminals re-enter society shortly after being released from custody.

Ike Souzer, 20, was released from custody on March 20, 2024, after he pleaded guilty to one count of felony vandalism and was sentenced to 90 days in county jail credit time served by Orange County Superior Court Judge Larry Yellin and placed on formal probation for two years. He checked into Project Kinship in Santa Ana but left and

never returned, failing to tell his probation officer of his whereabouts.

Prosecutors strongly objected to the 90-day sentence, arguing Souzer's prior criminal history, which included fatally stabbing his mother when he was 13 years old; attacking three correctional officers; and manufacturing and possessing a shank while being housed at the Orange County Jail.

In April 2022, Orange County District Attorney Todd Spitzer issued a warning to the public about Souzer after he escaped from Project Kinship following his release on electronic monitoring from jail. After a countywide manhunt, the Orange County District Attorney's AB 109 Task Force tracked Souzer down on Easter at a homeless encampment in Anaheim and arrested him.

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