What is Safe Surrender?

Safe Surrender is a unique, creative, and highly successful, initiative that encourages persons wanted for non-violent felony or misdemeanor crimes to voluntarily surrender to the law in safety.

The Safe Surrender program began in 2005. Originally managed by the United States Marshals Service as a community re-entry program for wanted non-violent offenders, Safe Surrender offers individuals with felony and misdemeanor warrants the ability to turn themselves in and have their cases adjudicated in a safe and non-violent manner.

The goal of Safe Surrender is to reduce the risk to law enforcement officers who pursue fugitives, to the neighborhoods in which they hide, and to the fugitives themselves.

About Safe Surrender

Tens of thousands of fugitives have surrendered in safety in major cities across America. Many were wanted for lower-level felony, non-violent crimes ranging from drug possession to theft and more for misdemeanor infractions.

The Juvenile Safe Surrender program is the first Safe Surrender for “Juveniles”; those who have an outstanding Juvenile Court Warrant for an offense committed when they were 17 years old or younger are encouraged to surrender!

The Safe Surrender program is designed to provide an opportunity for persons who have a warrant for a non-violent offense to voluntarily surrender where your surrender may receive favorable consideration in resolving your case.
The intent is not to arrest persons, but give you an opportunity for a second chance and begin taking steps towards a fresh start to the rest of your life.

Arrangements have been made on your behalf for FREE Legal Representation where you can consult with an attorney who may represent you before a Judge where your surrender will be taken under consideration for a favorable resolution to your case.

Also on-site are community resources to help you in your transition towards your fresh start and assist you in establishing next steps that will encourage and empower YOU to move forward.

Law enforcement officials at every level of government apprehend large numbers of fugitives every year through regular investigative efforts and concentrated fugitive sweeps. Typically fugitive sweeps are performed the week following the completion of a Safe Surrender program.

For the thousands of fugitives across America who have no history of violence, Fugitive Safe Surrender offers a unique opportunity to take their first and most crucial step toward community re-entry.

Come in – Be Safe – Get Help
Surrender in safety any day during the 4-day Safe Surrender event at:

The Juvenile Justice Center
9300 Quincy Ave
Cleveland OH 44106
Monday, September 22nd through Thursday, September 25th
(8:30 AM – 4:30 PM)