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Feb. 17, 2011 - Representatives of law enforcement agencies and courts from more than 120 jurisdictions across Texas recently announced combined efforts to host the fourth annual Great Texas Warrant Roundup beginning Saturday, March 5.

The roundup is designed to target thousands of defendants with traffic, parking, city ordinance, penal code and higher charge warrants from participating jurisdictions. It is believed to be the largest joint operation of its kind with arrests expected to continue for several days.

Hundreds of thousands of notices were recently mailed statewide by those entities participating in the warrant round-up.

Numerous counties, justices of the peace, constables and municipalities of all sizes will participate in the roundup -including the City of Leonard.

Specific information as to the number of outstanding warrants, how to take care of warrants prior to arrest, and any other special roundup activities or events may be obtained by contacting Municipal Court Clerk Sherilyn Carpenter at 903-587-3334.

Affected persons are urged to contact the appropriate jurisdiction or jurisdictions during the next two weeks to dispose of their cases voluntarily to avoid the inconvenience and embarrassment of arrest at home or work in front of family, friends or co-workers.

A list of those with an outstanding warrant from the Leonard municipal court will be published in next week's edition.