

## **Squad C-20 – Strategic Goals from FY2020**

**GOAL #1:** Increase efforts to utilize the Group I UCO to focus more on recovering victims who are in imminent danger of abuse, and targeting subjects who are hands-on offenders. This will be accomplished by directing OCEs to engage in more traditional UC interactions with subjects by gathering evidence through “chat-based,” real-time communications with targets. An emphasis will be placed on subjects who are hands-on offenders, and those who are engaged in Sextortion, Production of Child Pornography cases, and the enticement of victims of tender years (12 and under).

**GOAL #2:** Supplement the NYCEHTTF with two additional NYPD TFOs, to serve as a force multiplier to assist with the increase in HT investigative workload resulting from FY19, large-scale takedowns and investigations. With the additional manpower, Squad C-20 will surge resources to assist with the next phases of Hard Knock and Lamborghini Doors, continue pursuit of targets in the Dirt Bang Gang investigation, and reduce the workload for the case agents in the Jeffrey Epstein investigation. In addition, a surge in manpower will be needed to assist with anticipated trials in FY20 for the remaining indicted Hard Knock targets who have not yet pled out.

### **INTEL:**

An area where Intel provided significant value in FY19 was through embedded analysts’ tactical products, driving case initiations, targeting, and intelligence collection by investigators. Analysts reviewed various reporting to identify appropriate targets against HT and VCAC subjects. An example of a case where Intel provided significant value is the Saeed Norris Child Sex Trafficking investigation:

31E-NY-2535822, SAEED MALIK THOMAS NORRIS, aka Malik Thomas Norris, aka "Sparks," aka "Sparkz" – Subject: case was initiated based on Intel recommendation; Norris was arrested in FY19. National Human Trafficking Resource Center sent a tip forwarded to Squad C-20, reporting a 15 year-old female abducted and commercially sex trafficked along with other minor victims. A C-20 analyst drafted a TIR highlighting a connection between a victim of the Hard Knock investigation and the subject Saeed Malik Norris, aka Sparks. Agents and TFOs from squad C-20 interviewed two of the juvenile victims from the Hard Knock child sex trafficking investigation and as a result, Norris was further identified to have conspired to traffic juvenile victims for sex in Brooklyn.

- Based on Saeed Norris possible connection to Backpage ads through phone number 917-513-9095 and corroboration of the information provided by the victims and pimp, it was recommended by the C20 embedded analyst to open a child sex trafficking investigation