

On **March 9, 2003**, the **Lakewood Police Department** issued an AMBER Alert after the suspect, estranged from his wife, allegedly broke into her home, beat her and took their 3-year-old daughter. The suspect's uncle saw the alert on TV and called police to tell them the man and the girl were at his home. Police found the child sleeping on a couch in the basement. The suspect was armed and considered dangerous.

On **April 2, 2003**, a woman maced a visitation agency's social worker before fleeing with the 5-year-old boy whom she had been trying to adopt for several years. The **Columbus Police Department** issued an AMBER Alert. As a result, the police responded to tips and found them in a room at nearby motel.

On **October 24, 2003**, the **Ironton Police Department** issued an AMBER Alert after a domestic dispute in which a mother reported that her child's non-custodial father had abducted her child and threatened to kill the child and himself. The suspect was apprehended and the child was recovered unharmed.

On **November 17, 2003**, the **Montgomery County Sheriff's Office** issued their first AMBER Alert. A suspect took two boys, 4 and 5-years-old, for haircuts and did not return them for nearly 24 hours. The alert was issued after police were notified of a call received by the abductor's sister from an anonymous caller stating that the suspect had been shot and killed at an undisclosed location and that the boys would be released later. Due to the AMBER Alert, the two boys were spotted in a car by a school bus driver and were recovered unharmed. The suspect and his roommate had been charged with aggravated robbery and aggravated burglary in connection with a home invasion in October 2003.