



## SAN MATEO POLICE DEPARTMENT

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### **MEDIA RELEASE / COMMUNITY ALERT**

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#### **SMPD Arrests Thieves While Patrolling Burglary Hot Spot**

*San Mateo Police Department arrested two thieves that were seen prowling in a San Mateo neighborhood that was recently hit by auto burglars. Officers stopped these thieves in their tracks before they victimized our community members.*

San Mateo, CA – On Wednesday, April 10, 2019, at 12:42 a.m. San Mateo Police Department officers arrested two suspects following a vehicle pursuit, after they were seen driving a stolen car and casing to burglarize cars in the area. A coordinated effort by multiple law enforcement agencies in the region helped capture both suspects by debilitating the car by use of spike strips. The suspects were apprehended and found to be in possession of a stolen car, possible stolen property, narcotics, and burglary tools.

Early Wednesday morning, San Mateo Police Department officers were on routine patrol around Palm Avenue / 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Officers spotted a black Toyota Camry with no license plates traveling northbound Palm Avenue at 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue with its headlights turned off. While observing the vehicle, officers saw a suspect looking into cars, and then getting into the Toyota. Knowing the neighborhood just experienced an increase in auto burglaries, officers attempted to stop and contact the occupants of the Toyota.

The suspects failed to stop, and led officers on a pursuit. A coordinated effort with multiple law enforcement agencies resulted in debilitating the car by flattening its tires with spike strips, ending the pursuit safely in the 700 block of Industrial Road in Belmont, CA. A record check of the vehicle revealed it was reported stolen out of San Francisco and the driver had felony warrants out for his arrest. During a search of the car, officers discovered multiple burglary tools, narcotics, and possible stolen property. The suspects were identified as Oakland residents Addison Mazagodoy and Javier Becerraramirez. They were booked into San Mateo County Jail.

Remember, “if you see something, say something.” We’re encouraging our community to utilize security cameras. They are especially helpful in identifying suspicious activity in neighborhoods when cameras are street facing. Our officers regularly canvass for surveillance and you can help us by registering your cameras at [www.cityofsanmateo.org/NEST](http://www.cityofsanmateo.org/NEST).

The San Mateo Neighborhood Watch program is total resident participation and involvement in a police community cooperative battle against burglaries or other neighborhood crimes. Its primary purpose is personal and property protection for you and your neighbors. As an extension of the eyes and ears for your police department, your involvement will directly affect

the crime rate in your neighborhood. View the [SMPD Block Captain Introduction Letter](#).

If you have any questions about Neighborhood Watch in San Mateo, please contact our Neighborhood Watch Coordinator at (650) 522-7791 or [Email Neighborhood Watch](#).

### **ARRESTED**

Addison Mazagodoy, 27-year-old Oakland resident

Charges: Evading police (2800.2 CVC), vehicle theft (10851(a) CVC), possession of a stolen vehicle (496d(a) PC), conspiracy to commit crime (182(a)1 PC), attempted auto theft (664/10851(a) CVC), possession of burglary tools (466 PC), and felony warrants.

Javier Becerraramirez, 28-year-old Oakland resident

Charges: Conspiracy to commit crime (182(a)1 PC), attempted auto theft (664/10851(a) CVC), and possession of burglary tools (466 PC).

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