



Milpitas Police Department

*Dennis Graham
Chief of Police*

PRESS RELEASE

Date: August 8, 2010, Sunday, 2:47 a.m.
Location: 1600(B) Dennis Ave.
Case: 10-220-033
Suspect #1: 17 years old male Milpitas resident
Suspect #2: 17 years old male Milpitas resident

Details:

On August 8, 2010 at approximately 2:47 a.m., a Milpitas resident called the police department and reported two suspects breaking into a vehicle on Dennis Avenue. The suspects took property from the vehicle and fled the area on foot. The resident provided detailed descriptions of the suspects and relayed the direction the suspects were last seen traveling.

Officers responded to the area to search for the suspects. Officer Reuben Lopez searched the area while riding his police bicycle. Based on the information the resident provided, Officer Lopez stopped suspect #1, who was walking through the backyard of a residence on Carl Avenue. A witness positively identified suspect #1 as one of the two suspects breaking into the vehicle, and suspect #1 was arrested. Upon further investigation, officers were able to identify and locate suspect #2, and he was eventually arrested. Both suspects were juveniles and were arrested for various charges, including burglary and curfew.

Members of the Milpitas Police Department's Bicycle Unit have had great success at special events and patrol deployment. In fact, earlier this year, Officer Lopez was patrolling on his bicycle and stopped four pedestrians. During the investigation, Officer Lopez arrested one of the pedestrians for being in possession of a loaded pistol.

The police department would like to remind residents to refrain from leaving personal items such as GPS devices, laptops, purses, phones, or any other valuables visible in parked vehicles.

The Milpitas Police Department continues to encourage residents to call the police department when any suspicious activity is seen or heard. Callers may remain anonymous when providing information and can call 408-586-2400 or 9-1-1 when the activity is still occurring or callers can dial the Crime Tip Hotline at 408-586-2500 in order to leave a recorded message. Non-emergency information can also be given at the police department's website http://www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov/government/police/crime_tip.asp

By: Officer Gene Smith #223
Date: August 16, 2010, 9:00 A.M.