



# *Milpitas Police Department*

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **BANK ROBBERY SUSPECT ARRESTED**

**Date:** December 27, 2011, Tuesday, 10:02 a.m.  
**Location:** Patelco Credit Union on Landess Avenue  
**Date:** December 31, 2011, Saturday, 11:15 a.m.  
**Location:** Bank of America on Ranch Dr.  
**Case:** 11-361-050, 11-365-063  
**Suspect:** Anthony Chavez, 24 years old, San Jose resident

On December 27, 2011, at about 10:02 a.m., Milpitas Police Department officers responded to a bank robbery that had just occurred at Patelco Credit Union on Landess Avenue. The suspect entered the bank and handed a note to a teller that demanded money. The teller complied with the demand note and the suspect fled the bank with an undisclosed amount of money.

On December 31, 2011, at about 11:15 a.m., Milpitas Police Department officers responded to a bank robbery that had just occurred at Bank of America on Ranch Dr. The suspect entered the bank and handed a demand note to the teller. The teller hesitated and the suspect brandished a handgun and threatened to harm the teller. A different bank employee complied with the suspect's demand and the suspect fled the bank with an undisclosed amount of money.

Milpitas Police detectives recognized the similarities in both bank robberies and believed the same suspect committed both crimes. Detectives developed information and identified Anthony Chavez as a suspect in both robberies.

Milpitas Police Department obtained a warrant for the arrest of Chavez for Robbery. On January 6, 2012, officers from the San Jose Police Department located Chavez in San Jose, where he was taken into custody without incident.

Detectives are trying to locate additional witnesses. Anyone with information about the incidents should telephone the Milpitas Police Department at 408-586-2400. Those who wish to remain anonymous can telephone the Crime Tip Hotline at 408-586-2500 or utilize the on-line crime tip form:

<http://www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov/citydept/police/crimetip/default.asp>



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Date: January 13, 2012 8:30 a.m.