



# *Milpitas Police Department*

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Milpitas Police Arrest Prowling Suspects**

**Date:** December 17, 2012  
**Location:** 2000 (B) of Lacey Dr., Milpitas  
**Case:** 12-352-002  
**Suspect #1:** Henry Arellano, 27-years old, resident of Milpitas  
**Suspect #2:** Jeremiah O'Brien, 32-years old, resident of Milpitas  
**Suspect #3:** Henry Cruz, 40-years old, resident of Milpitas

On December 17, 2012 at 12:37 A.M., Milpitas police officers responded to a 9-1-1 call of a suspicious person in a yard on Lacey Dr. knocking on a bedroom wall. The caller remained on the line with the dispatchers and provided a clothing description as well as up-to-date information on the direction of travel of the suspicious person. The caller then told the dispatcher the suspicious person had walked away and was breaking into a neighbor's house. Milpitas police officers located the suspicious person, who was identified as Arellano, hiding behind a trash can on the side yard of the neighbor's home. Officers searched the backyard of the neighbor's house and heard the sound of people jumping fences southbound toward Mattos Dr. Officers surrounded the area and arrested O'Brien as he exited through a side gate of a residence on Mattos Dr. Officers conducted a yard-to-yard search and located Cruz hiding in a flower bed in the front yard of a residence on Mattos Dr. All three suspects were taken into custody without incident.

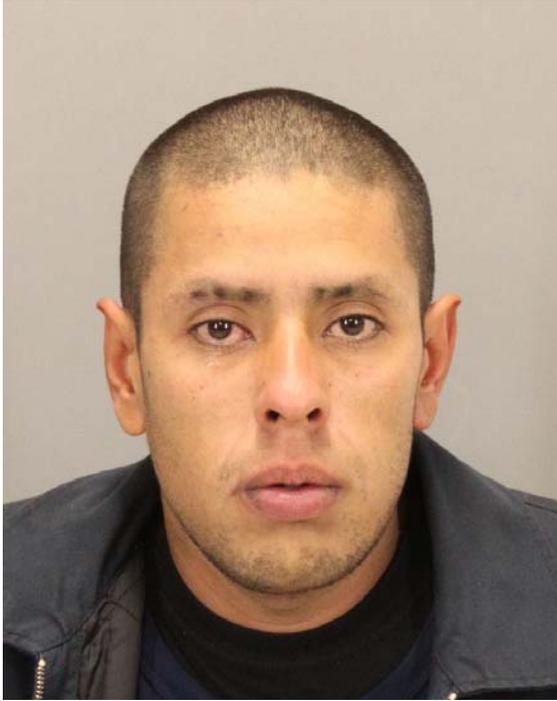
The suspects were booked into the Santa Clara County jail on various charges. Henry Arellano was booked for prowling, possession of drug paraphernalia and being under the influence of a controlled substance. Jeremiah O'Brien was booked for trespassing and Henry Cruz was booked for prowling and being under the influence of a controlled substance.

Milpitas police department credits the quick reactions of the caller for immediately calling 9-1-1, and providing detailed information to the dispatchers as the main reason the suspects were captured in this incident and encourages everyone to call 9-1-1 as soon as they see or hear any suspicious activity.

Anyone with any information regarding this investigation or other similar incidents occurring in our city is encouraged to call the Milpitas Police Department at (408) 586-2400. Information can be given anonymously by calling the Crime Tip Hotline at (408) 586-2500 or via the Milpitas Police Department website at:

[http://www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov/government/police/crime\\_tip.asp](http://www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov/government/police/crime_tip.asp)

**By:** Sgt. Trish Young  
**Date:** December 17, 2012; 11:45 P.M.



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