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Chief of Police

**PRESS RELEASE**

**AUTO THEFT SUSPECTS ARRESTED**

**DATE:** January 4, 2014

**LOCATION:** 1400 Block of Calle Oriente

**CASE #:** 14-004-029

**SUSPECT #1:** Mayra Espinosa, 28-years-old, Santa Clara resident

**SUSPECT #2:** Ericka Espinoza, 30-years-old, San Jose resident

On 1/04/14, at approximately 4:56 A.M., a Milpitas police officer on patrol in the area of N. Park Victoria Dr. and Traughber St. saw a suspicious vehicle driving around in the neighborhood. The vehicle was a 1996 Black Honda Accord that was recently stolen out of San Jose. The suspects attempted to elude and hide from the officer by driving quickly away. The suspects ran away from the stolen vehicle after crashing into a fence of a home on Calle Oriente. Officers quickly set a perimeter, conducted a yard-to-yard search within the neighborhood and found both suspects hiding in two separate backyards.

The suspects were identified as Mayra Espinosa, who was recently released from jail on OR (Own Recognizance) on a separate auto theft charge, and Ericka Espinoza, who is currently on probation for auto theft.

Mayra Espinosa was booked into the Santa Clara County Jail for auto theft, resisting arrest, driving on a suspended license, hit-and-run and possession of stolen property.

Ericka Espinoza was booked into the Santa Clara County Jail for auto theft, resisting arrest, possession of stolen property and violation of probation.

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)

Press Release By: Sgt. Huy Tran #200

Date/Time: January 4, 2014 at 11:30 PM



**SUSPECT #1:** Mayra Espinosa



**SUSPECT #2:** Erika Espinosa