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PRESS RELEASE

VEHICLE THEFT SUSPECT ARRESTED

DATE: March 23, 2015
LOCATION: Scott Creek Road @ Interstate 680
CASE #: 15-082-008
SUSPECT: Noel Eric Small, 48-year-old male, Milpitas Resident
STOLEN VEHICLE: 1978 GMC, SUV, Silver
TIME ELEMENT: March 23, 2015 at 12:54 A.M.

On March 23, 2015 at approximately 12:54 A.M., a Milpitas Police Officer observed 1978 GMC, SUV driving on North Park Victoria Drive near Jacklin Road with no license plates attached to it. When the officer attempted to stop the vehicle for a vehicle code violation, it failed to yield and proceeded to drive onto northbound I-680. The vehicle was driving erratically making sudden turns and straddling lanes on the freeway and the officer suspected the driver of the vehicle was driving under the influence of an alcoholic beverage. The vehicle made an evasive maneuver in an attempt to flee from the officer as they were exiting onto Scott Creek Road from I-680. A brief vehicle pursuit ensued and the vehicle came to a stop on Scott Creek Road. The driver of the vehicle, Noel Eric Small was taken into custody without further incident. During the investigation, it was learned that the GMC was an unreported stolen vehicle from Sunnyvale, California. Small is currently on probation for narcotic related offenses, had two misdemeanor warrants for his arrest, prior convictions for auto theft and a suspended California driver's license.

Noel Eric Small was booked into the Santa Clara County Jail for auto theft, auto theft with prior convictions, evading officers, violating his probation and driving with a suspended California driver's license.

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

Press Release By: Sergeant Matthew Miller #262

Date/Time: February 24, 2015; 5:30 A.M.



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SUSPECT #1: Noel Eric Small