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**PRESS RELEASE**

**ROOFTOP BURGLARS ARRESTED**

**DATE:** February 24, 2016  
**LOCATION:** 122 Minnis Circle, Milpitas, CA  
**CASE #:** 16-055-015  
**VICTIM:** Target Masters, 122 Minnis Circle, Milpitas, CA  
**SUSPECT #1:** Jose David Fernandez, 19-year-old, Hayward, CA resident  
**SUSPECT #2:** 17 year-old male, Hayward, CA resident  
**SUSPECT #3:** 17 year-old male, Hayward, CA resident  
**SUSPECT #4:** 15 year-old male, Oakland, CA resident  
**SUSPECT VEHICLE:** 1999 gray Toyota Camry

On Wednesday, February 24, 2016 at approximately 1:48 A.M., an on-duty Milpitas Police sergeant was preparing to leave the station, when he heard an audible alarm sounding from Target Masters, located at 122 Minnis Circle. The sergeant investigated further and observed a 17 year-old male stumble off of the rooftop and run to a silver 1999 Toyota Camry, which was occupied by the 15 year-old male. The 17 year-old entered the driver seat of the suspect vehicle and drove away northbound on Minnis Circle. The suspect vehicle and occupants were stopped by a second responding officer on the 1333 block of Minnis Circle. The two suspects were taken into custody without incident.

The sergeant, at Target Masters, encountered a third suspect trying to exit the front glass doors of the business, and noticed the suspect was carrying a firearm. The sergeant ordered the suspect to drop the firearm and remain still which he complied.

During the investigation, officers learned of a fourth suspect who was not accounted for and his whereabouts were unknown. The Santa Clara County Sheriff's Office and San Jose Police Department were requested to assist in establishing a large perimeter and begin a search. As a Milpitas Police Officer and Deputies from the Sheriff's Office searched the Milpitas Department of Public Works Corporation Yard, which is directly south of Target Masters, they located Fernandez, who fled over a 10 foot wall and ran south along the railroad tracks. Officers from the San Jose Police Department were reassigned to the area south of the location and the suspect was taken into custody without incident.

The Milpitas SWAT Team in conjunction with the San Jose Police Department's Canine Unit unlocked the front doors of Target Masters and took a 17 year-old suspect into custody. This juvenile suspect was in possession of two stolen handguns from Target Masters. Target Masters was searched with the SWAT Team and the assistance of the San Jose Police Department Canine Unit, and no additional suspects were located.



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Three of the four suspects were juveniles from the cities of Hayward and Oakland. The suspect who fled on foot was identified as Jose David Fernandez, a 19-year-old from Hayward. The case is still under investigation at this time.

Anyone with any information regarding this investigation 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)

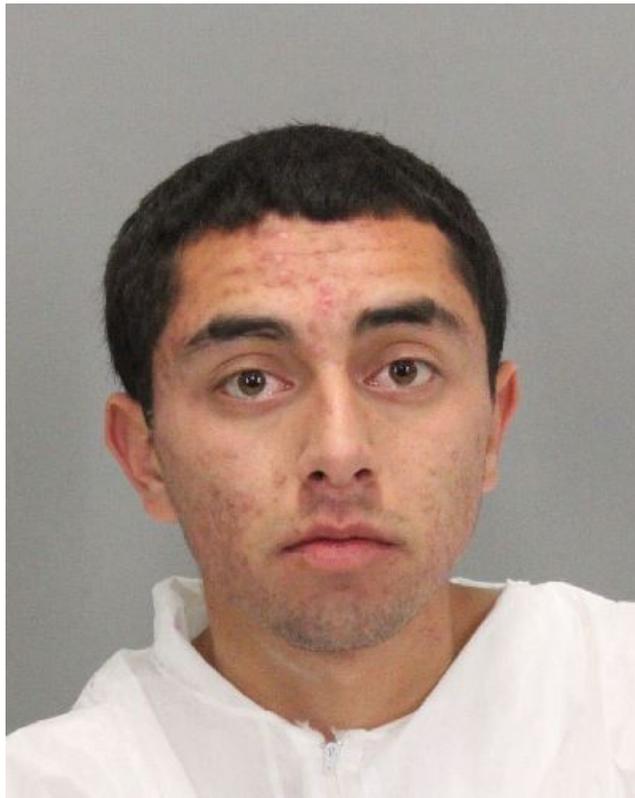
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