

SAUSALITO POLICE DEPARTMENT

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PRESS RELEASE:

SAUSALITO'S LICENSE PLATE RECOGNITION CAMERAS LEAD TO ANOTHER VEHICLE RECOVERY AND THREE ARRESTS

For immediate release:

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On Saturday, December 2, 2017, at approximately 6:10 PM, the Sausalito Police Department received an alert from our License Plate Recognition Cameras of a stolen vehicle entering Sausalito from the 4000 block of Bridgeway. The vehicle, a 2006 Chevrolet had been stolen in Fremont on November 22, 2017.

Sausalito Police Officers immediately responded and conducted a comprehensive search of the area. Officers located the Chevrolet and conducted a stop on it at Caledonia Street and Napa Street. The driver of the Chevrolet, Deanna BAXTER (25-year-old resident of Stockton), and the two passengers, Jessica VELASQUEZ (27-year-old resident of Stockton) and Angelica CRAIN (24-year-old resident of Stockton) were detained without incident.

Upon further investigation, officers located burglary tools, suspected stolen mail, suspected stolen credit cards and identification cards, check washing paraphernalia, and prescription medication that was not prescribed to any of the vehicle's occupants. BAXTER was arrested for possession of the stolen vehicle and possession of burglary tools. VELASQUEZ was arrested for possession of burglary tools, providing false identification information to officers, a no bail felony warrant for possession of stolen property out of San Bernardino, and a \$25,000 felony warrant for burglary out of Manteca. CRAIN was arrested for unlawful possession of prescription medication. BAXTER and VELASQUEZ were booked into the Marin County Jail. CRAIN was issued a misdemeanor citation and released from the scene.

Since the City of Sausalito's License Plate Recognition Camera program became operational on Thursday, May 18, 2017, twelve (12) stolen vehicles have been recovered leading to the arrest of seventeen (17) individuals. The goal of the License Plate Recognition Camera program is to increase public safety by utilizing technology to alert Law Enforcement to wanted vehicles, enhance post-crime investigative abilities, and deter crime by increasing the likelihood of suspect identification.

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