



SAUSALITO POLICE DEPARTMENT

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PRESS RELEASE:

**LICENSE PLATE RECOGNITION CAMERA HIT
LEADS TO WARRANT ARREST**

For immediate release:

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On Friday, July 3, 2020, at approximately 5:06 PM, the Sausalito Police Department received an alert from our License Plate Recognition Cameras of a Lexus with a stolen license plate upon it entering Sausalito from Alexander Ave. The license plate had been stolen out of Vallejo on Tuesday, March 10, 2020.

Sausalito Police Officers immediately responded and conducted a comprehensive search of the area. Officers located the Lexus in Municipal Parking Lot #1. The Lexus was occupied by two adults, the vehicle's owner Danny Turner (40-year-old resident of Rodeo) and a passenger. Officers confirmed that the license plate was stolen and that the Lexus' registration had been expired for over four (4) years.

Further investigation revealed that Turner had a \$10,000 felony arrest warrant out of San Mateo County for burglary. Turner was arrested for the warrant and booked into the Marin County Jail. The passenger was released at the scene. The Lexus was impounded for having expired registration in excess of six (6) months.

Since the City of Sausalito's License Plate Recognition Camera program became operational on Thursday, May 18, 2017, thirty-three (33) stolen vehicles have been recovered and thirty-eight (38) individuals have been arrested for various crimes. 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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