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TYPE OF CRIME: Burglary / Receiving Stolen Property

CASE NUMBER: 06-229-1147

LOCATION: San Jose

DATE: 10-4-06 **TIME:** 8:30 AM

VICTIM: Various Retail Stores

SUSPECTS:

Celia Plancarte 47, Irene Plancarte 35, Jose Aguilara 18, Martha Cortez 33, Luis Picazo 46 , Jose Bueno 28, Javier Becerril 22, Fernando Garcia 23, Juan Ramirez 49, Victor Hernandez 22, Manuel Martinez 30 (All suspects are residents of San Jose)

DETAILS:

Retail businesses throughout the State have been the regular targets of Organized Retail Theft gangs. The gangs operate in small groups of 2-3 and will enter various clothing stores (Gap, Polo, Anchor Blue, Abercrombie and Fitch, The Limited) with special bags in which to conceal their stolen property and special tools to remove alarm sensors. The San Jose Police Department has been investigating these organized theft rings operating in San Jose.

On 10-04-06, Investigators from the Burglary Unit and the Narcotics/Covert Investigations Unit, with the assistance of the Gap Organized Retail Crime Unit, completed a 4-week undercover operation with the execution of 3 search warrants and the arrest of 11 people. During previous weeks, the suspects were followed as they went from store to store on a daily basis to commit these thefts. The suspects primarily targeted designer brand name clothing and perfumes. The suspects would take the stolen property, usually ranging in value of \$1,000- \$2,000, and sell it to the fences for a quarter of the retail price. After buying the stolen items, the fences would direct the thieves on what items they wanted.

After purchasing the items, the fences would then sell some of the stolen apparel to the public for half of the retail price, most times from their own home. Other property is believed to be sent out of the country and sold. During the search of one residence, investigators located store racks, shelves and displays of clothing, shoes and other stolen items. Investigators recovered thousands of stolen items with an estimated retail value of over \$95,000.

Two of the suspects who were arrested today showed up at one of the residences, while the investigators were present, with a suitcase full of suspected stolen clothing to sell. Several of the suspects were on probation for the same offense.

Anyone with information on this case is urged to contact Detective Doug Gerbrandt with the San Jose Police Department Burglary Unit at 277- 4401 or Detective Jesus Mendoza at 277-4115.

BY: Officer Enrique Garcia #2936

AUTHORIZED BY: Lt. Keith Miller

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Havier Becerril

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Fernando Garcia

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Irene Plancarte

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Celia Plancarte

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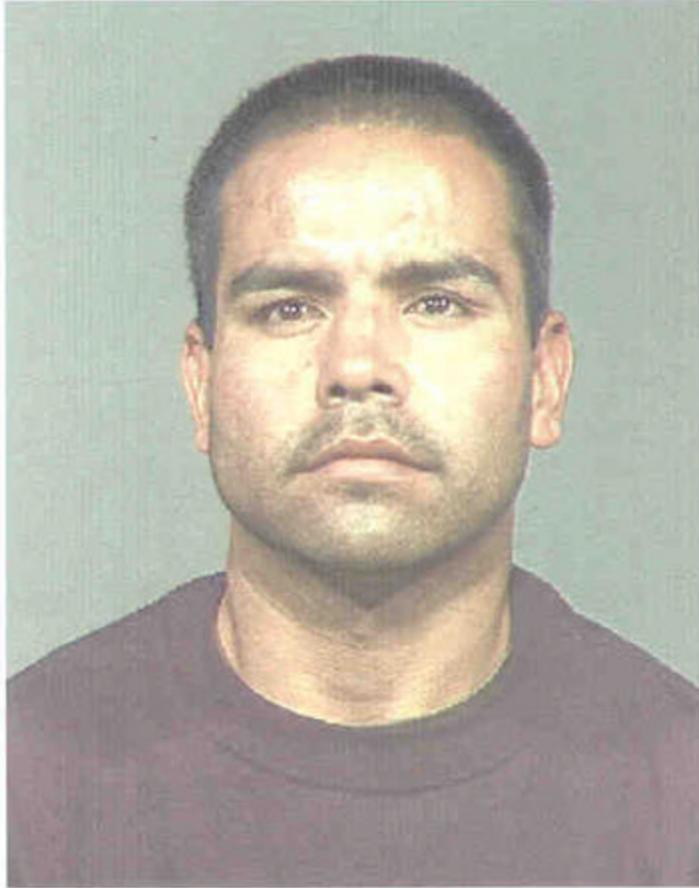
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Jose Aguilara

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Jose Bueno

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Juan Ramirez

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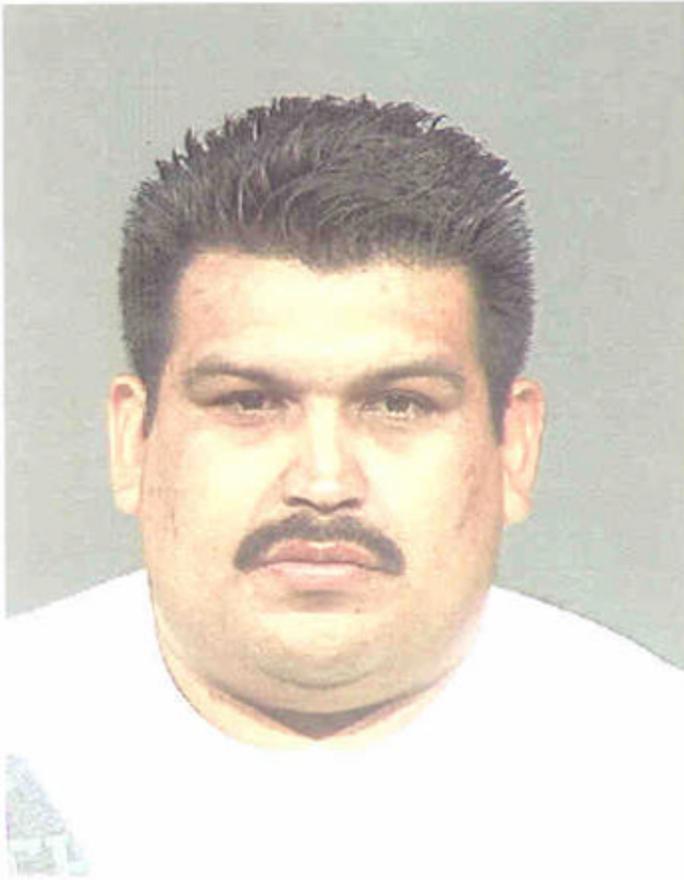
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