

NEWS RELEASE



City of Rancho Cucamonga Police Department



Arrested: June 3, 2010

Crime: PC 211, Multiple Armed Robberies

Date, Time, Locations:

May 16, 2010 approximately 9:25 p.m. Kwik Stop Market, 9533 Foothill Boulevard

May 18, 2010 approximately 9:00 p.m. U Save Market, 10110 Foothill Boulevard

June 1, 2010 approximately 9:55 p.m. Thrifty Gas Station, 9888 Foothill Boulevard

Suspect: #1 Israel Huerta, 20 year old male, Pomona resident

#2 17 year old male, Pomona resident (Name Confidential)

SUMMARY

Detectives assigned to the Rancho Cucamonga Police Station have been investigating a series of armed robberies that have occurred during the last two weeks at Convenience Stores located on Foothill Boulevard. In all three robberies, the suspects brandished guns at the store clerk and demanded money from the cash register.

Investigators learned that similar armed robberies with the same suspect descriptions have been committed in El Monte, Montclair, Upland, San Dimas, and Ontario. A break in the case came about when the suspects were identified through surveillance photos that had been circulated to surrounding law enforcement agencies.

On June 3, 2010, at 4:30 a.m. Detectives from the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department, Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, and the Pomona Police Department's SWAT Team served a search warrant at an apartment on Koresh Avenue in Pomona. A loaded 9 mm handgun, clothing identified as being used in the crimes, and approximately \$550 in cash was found. Israel Huerta and a 17 year old male juvenile were taken into custody by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. Both suspects are documented gang members. They are linked to nine armed robbery cases occurring throughout several jurisdictions. It has been determined that the cases will be combined and prosecuted in the Pomona Courts.

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