



# PRESS RELEASE

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## **A Spike in Auto Theft Davis Police Case 11-0811**

On March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2011 at 0256 hrs, Davis Police Officers made a traffic enforcement stop at 500 Pole Line Road on a white 2000 Honda Civic occupied by three males. Officers discovered this car had been reported stolen out of Davis on March 1<sup>st</sup>, 2011. Pursuant to an initial investigation, Davis Police arrested Jose Garcia (a 25 year old male out of Rancho Cordova), Delbert Winters (a 24 year old male out of Rancho Cordova) and a 17 year old juvenile. All three suspects were arrested for vehicle theft and possession of stolen property. The two adults were booked at the Yolo County Jail, and the juvenile was lodged at Yolo County Juvenile Hall.

This arrest comes after a seven day spike in vehicle thefts in the Davis area. Between February 23<sup>rd</sup> and March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 10 vehicles have been stolen. The thieves appear to be targeting Honda Civics and Acura Integras. The thefts are taking place overnight between 9:00 PM and 9:00 AM. Five of the stolen cars have been recovered in Davis, while one was found by the California Highway Patrol in Sacramento.

We recommend that car owners lock their vehicle any time it is left unattended. Do not leave your car running if you are not in your vehicle. If possible, park your car in the garage instead of leaving it in your driveway or on the street. Report any tampering or theft of your vehicle immediately and call the police if you see any suspicious activity in your neighborhood.

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