



San Diego County SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

NEWS RELEASE INFORMATION SHEET

Subject: Theft from Vehicle

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SYNOPSIS:

On 6/12/18, at approximately 0630 hours, a reporting party/victim of a theft from vehicle called 911 to report she was pumping gas at an ARCO AM/PM gas station located at 13886 State Route 94 in Jamul, California, while her young child was inside the vehicle when an unknown male opened the door to her vehicle and stole her purse. A witness reported the suspect vehicle was a white Jaguar sedan and the male inside the vehicle had stolen the purse. The vehicle was seen leaving the area shortly after.

At about 0635 hours, Detective A. Lewis was driving to work (RSD Station) travelling east on Jamacha Boulevard in Spring Valley, when she observed a white Jaguar sedan approaching, occupied by two. As the vehicle passed her in the opposite direction, Detective Lewis looked into the vehicle and observed one female and one male. Detective Lewis immediately recognized the female as a chronic thief/prolific offender, Nichole Rivas. Detective Lewis notified dispatch, requested units to assist and turned around and followed the white Jaguar. Deputies were in the area and arrived within seconds. As the vehicle approached the 7-Eleven located at 10777 Jamacha Boulevard, deputies conducted a traffic stop.

Inside the vehicle, deputies located the driver, Nichole Rivas, front passenger Matthew T. McDole and the rear passenger Jessica R. Curry; all known prolific offenders. Inside the suspect vehicle, deputies located the victim's stolen purse from the ARCO AM/PM gas station and other stolen property. Rivas and Curry were immediately detained. McDole ran from deputies and was caught shortly after. All three were arrested. Rivas, Curry and McDole have priors for theft, burglary and drug related offenses.

This arrest exemplifies the attention, importance of familiarizing ourselves, sharing information of known/prolific offenders in the area and quick action by deputies and detectives who strive to make Rancho San Diego/Spring Valley, a safer community by placing offenders in custody, holding them accountable and reuniting victims with their stolen property.