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## INFORMATION RELEASE Deputies Make Arrests and Recover Two Stolen Vehicles



On Wednesday, September 2, 2015, deputies assigned to the Sheriff's Enforcement Team (SET) were in the Motel 6 parking lot at 597 Sandy Beach Lane, Vallejo. Deputies saw two females exit a green Acura CL. A check of the car revealed it had been reported stolen from the City of Martinez earlier that day.

Investigators with the Sheriff's Office Stolen Vehicle Task Force responded and led the investigation. Deputies detained 29 year old Avonna Simpson of Pleasant Hill and 43 year old Danielle Mazzei of Bay Point. Both were charged with vehicle theft.

During this investigation, deputies also found a red Nissan SUV that had been reported stolen from the City of Vallejo. The SUV was unoccupied and no arrests have been made in connection with it.

The Sheriff's Office Stolen Vehicle Task Force reminds citizens to be proactive in auto theft prevention. Below are some tips you can use to avoid being the victim of a car thief:

- •Never leave your car running unattended, even to dash into a business, store, etc.
- •Never leave any keys in the car or ignition, inside a locked garage, or in hide-a-key boxes
- •Always roll up your windows and lock the car, even if it is parked in front of your home
- Never leave valuables in plain view, even if your car is locked. Put them in the trunk out of sight
- •Always park in high-traffic, well-lighted areas, when possible
- •Install a mechanical device that locks the steering wheel, column, or brakes. These devices will deter some criminals
- •Investigate the purchase of a vehicle theft tracking/security system, especially if you own one of the frequently stolen model vehicles
- •Never leave personal identification documents, vehicle ownership title, or credit cards in your vehicle
- •Copy your license plate and vehicle information (VIN) numbers on a card and keep them with you. If your vehicle is stolen, the law enforcement will need this information to take a report
- •If your vehicle is stolen, report it to law enforcement immediately

If you have any questions regarding this press release, I can be contacted at the phone numbers listed below.

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