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PRESS RELEASE

Sheriff's Office Arrests 13 Suspects and Recovers \$150,000 in Stolen Retail Merchandise

Organized Retail Theft has been a growing concern in the County of Santa Clara, with criminal groups targeting businesses and causing significant financial losses. The Sheriff's Office High Impact Team has taken a significant step in combating Organized Retail Theft within the county, and recently worked closely with Home Depot, a leading retailer in the area, to target a large Organized Retail Theft fencing operation.

On 4/9/2024, the Sheriff's Office High Impact Team and Sheriff's Emergency Response Team, with the assistance of the San Jose and Campbell Police Departments, executed search warrants at two residences, in the City of San Jose, that were suspected to be involved in an Organized Retail Theft ring. Approximately \$150,000 worth of stolen merchandise was recovered and a total of thirteen arrests were made at the residences, sending a strong message to perpetrators of organized retail crime.

Working closely with Home Depot, the operation resulted in the recovery of approximately \$110,000 worth of stolen merchandise from Home Depot. Approximately \$40,000 in additional merchandise was recovered from Target, Kohl's, Lowe's, Macys, and Sunglass Hut. The collaborative effort between law enforcement and the private sector proved to be instrumental in disrupting the operations of organized retail theft rings.

Duc Nguyen (49), Hoan Nguyen (54), Phuoc Nguyen (53), Dat Nguyen (47), Duyen Le (28), Dat Tran (50), Lisa Butler (53), Chau Vo (51), Su Nguyen (57), Anita Nguyen (54), Hoang Luu (44), and Tu Nguyen (30) were arrested on felony charges of Grand Theft, Possession of Stolen Property, Conspiracy, and Organized Retail Theft.

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Sheriff Jonsen emphasized the importance of partnerships with businesses like Home Depot in combating retail crime. “By working together with our community partners, we can effectively deter and apprehend those involved in organized retail theft,” said Sheriff Jonsen

The successful operation serves as a testament to the dedication and commitment of the Sheriff’s Office in protecting businesses and consumers from the impacts of retail crime. The recovered merchandise will be returned to the businesses, ensuring that the losses incurred are mitigated.

The Sheriff’s Office remains vigilant in its efforts to combat organized retail theft and will continue to work collaboratively with businesses and stakeholders to safeguard the community from criminal activities.





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