

PRESS RELEASE

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Two PV men arrested for multiple burglaries

On December 21st Officer Payne was on patrol in the area of Hoffman and Loos in The Town of Prescott Valley when he observed an open door at a Beauty Salon that appeared to be closed. After being joined by Officer Sheldon they searched the building and found that nobody was inside.

They learned that the business door appeared to have been kicked in and there were broken mirrors and other damage to the inside of the business.

Detectives became involved in the investigation and assisted with processing the scene and conducting interviews.

The Officers located what appeared to be blood evidence and shoe prints on the dark colored floor. They were able to follow the footprints to a possible exit point. They located what appeared to be blood evidence inside and outside the business. A more extensive search yielded footprints in the area of the business visually consistent with the footprints located inside the business. They were able to track them to a residence in the 4300 block of Parent Rd. They interviewed individuals in the area and developed leads.

While on scene at the first burglary, Officers learned of additional burglaries in the area. Three vehicles were burglarized in the Boy's and Girl's Club parking lot. They had multiple broken windows and property missing. Officers located evidence leading them to believe the cases were related.

The leads developed led to the arrest of two suspects identified as 19 year old Antonio Gamez of Prescott Valley and 18 year old Alex Garcia also of Prescott Valley. Both individuals admitted involvement when confronted with the evidence located at the scene by officers.

Officers later located property that was taken during the burglaries.

This case was brought to a successful conclusion by diligent work by many Prescott Valley Police personnel including Detective Bills, Officer Payne and Officer Sheldon.



(Gamez pictured on left)

Gamez and Garcia were arrested and booked into the Yavapai County Jail in Camp Verde for one count of burglary to a commercial building, 3 counts of burglary to a vehicle, 4 counts of criminal damage.



(Garcia pictured on right)