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PRESS RELEASE

Releasing Officer: Sergeant Charles Gilchrist
Report Number: Multiple
Date / Time Incident: 01/15/08 – 02/18/08 0000 – 2359 hours
Location of Incident: City of Fort Bragg, CA
Crime or Incident: Thefts from motor vehicles, parking lots, storage sheds and garages.
Victim: Multiple
Suspect: Unknown

CIRCUMSTANCES: Over the last month the Fort Bragg Police has taken in excess of 24 theft or burglary reports. There are multiple victims and various locations throughout the City of Fort Bragg. The thefts and burglaries generally occur between the hours of 10 PM and 6 AM.

The suspect(s) are targeting unlocked vehicles, storage sheds, parking lots, garages in or near alleys or areas of poor lighting. Vehicles that are parked in poorly lit areas and left unlocked are the primary targets.

The vehicles are being ransacked and small items that are easily transportable are being stolen. Larger items that are hard to carry are being left behind including laptop computers and hand tools.

On one occasion our officers located several guns and a chainsaw hidden in the bushes near the location of the thefts. We believe that the suspect intended to return at a later date to retrieve the stolen property.

As a reminder the Fort Bragg Police Department would like to encourage citizens to remove expensive property from their vehicles and ensure vehicles are locked. We would also like to encourage citizens to call the Fort Bragg Police Department when they observe suspicious activity or if they have any information related to the crimes.

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