



INDIO POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

Date and Time of Release: **Tuesday, February 19, 2019 / 12:30 P.M.**

Date and Time of Incident: **Monday, February 18, 2019 / 9:48 P.M.**

Subject: **Two Suspects Arrested for Car Burglaries and Weapon Violations**

Suspects: **Richard Campos, Age 21 and Mario Perez, Age 18 both from Indio, CA – Arrested**

Anonymous Information: **Coachella Valley Crime Stoppers 341-STOP (7867)**
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Due to the recent vehicle burglaries around the outside perimeter of the Riverside County Fair Grounds and National Date Festival, Indio Police Department increased the number of officers for its suppression detail. The detail officers patrolled in both marked and unmarked patrol vehicles in an effort to catch the suspects.

On, Monday, February 18, 2019, about 9:48 pm, Indio Police Officers noticed two suspicious subjects near parked vehicles in a parking lot at 46-601 Arabia Street. As officers approached the subjects, one subject handed the other subject a handgun and a small hammer. The suspects with the items then fled on foot from officers through the parking lot towards Dr. Carreon Blvd west of the fairgrounds. The officers saw the transaction and a foot pursuit ensued. Both suspects were caught and detained without incident. A loaded Smith and Wesson 9mm handgun and a small hammer used to break vehicle windows in the area were recovered. The suspects were identified as Mario Perez, age 18 and Richard Campos, age 21, both of Indio. Both suspects were connected to vehicle burglaries in the area and were booked into the Riverside County Jail facility in Indio on felony charges of weapon, burglary tools and other violations. See attach booking photos.

The Indio Police Department is asking for anyone who has information about this incident to **please call the Indio Police Department at (760) 391-4057, or call Coachella Valley Crime Stoppers at (760) 341-STOP with anonymous information.**

For more information contact: Indio Police PIO – (760) 541-4500



