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Suspects Arrested for Metal and Manhole Cover Thefts



Suspect - Marciani
Booking # 2646187



Suspect - Reyes
Booking # 2646197

On February 15, 2011 at 6:15 PM an El Segundo K-9 Officer responded to a business in the 100 block of Nevada Street regarding the theft of engine parts, tools, and a truck tool bin from a gated and secured lot. The Officer recalled impounding a black 1970 Chevrolet ½ ton pick-up truck during his previous shift the night prior, which had similar items in the bed. During that traffic stop, the Officer cited the driver, Paul Marciani (18 yrs), for driving on a suspended license and identified the passenger; Norberto Reyes (19 yrs), both residents of Hawthorne.

The Officer drove to the impound yard where the truck had been towed, photographed the items still in the bed of the vehicle, returned to the business where he confirmed the property belonged to the victim. There were other items in the bed of truck that the

victim said likely belonged to an adjacent business. The Officer contacted the second business owner and with the assistance of Detectives, the stolen property was identified and returned to the rightful owners.

Detectives researched several other crimes that occurred in the same geographical area, during similar timeframes, and prepared a search warrant for Marciani's residence. The search warrant was served and Marciani and Reyes were at the location. Both suspects confessed to multiple metal thefts in town, which included stealing 2 manhole covers from El Segundo city streets. It was also learned the suspects may be responsible for numerous manhole cover thefts in the south bay. Please contact Detective Jeff Humphrey at 310-524-2216 if you have any information related to these types of thefts.

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