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RONALD N. STRAND, Chief of Police

Press Release

DATE OF EVENT: 11/20/ 2011

TYPE OF EVENT: CVC 10851 – Grand Theft Auto, PC 460(a) – Burglary; first degree, PC 496-Possession Stolen Property

LOCATION: Various locations in the City of Ridgecrest

CHARGES: CVC 10851(a), PC 496(a), PC 487(a), PC 460(a)

SUSPECTS: Stanley, Jonathan Edward 19YOA

On 11/20/11 at about 0850 hours, Officers Ballestero, Shaffer and Sgt. Brown of the Ridgecrest Police Department were dispatched to a vehicle burglary in progress on S. Ashton St. Officers discovered that the victim had identified the license plate of the vehicle that fled from the scene. Within minutes, Officer Shaffer located the suspect vehicle, conducted an enforcement stop and took the subject later identified as Jonathan Stanley into custody. It was found out that the vehicle was an unreported stolen vehicle from Petris St.

Our investigation snowballed from there which led us to a 520 S. Allen address. From there Det. Sloan assisted and we uncovered approximately \$30,000 in stolen from multiple victims within the city including \$2,500 in stolen Ridgecrest Police Department property. Through further investigation, Officers Ballestero, Shaffer and Det. Sloan may have linked Stanley or held him responsible for up to 9 stolen vehicles. A majority of the stolen property has been released back to the victims and vehicle owners. Subsequently, Jonathan Stanley was interviewed and transported to the Kern County Sheriff's jail where he was booked and held pending \$90,000 bail.

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PREPARED BY: Sergeant Tony Brown

