

LEMOORE POLICE DEPARTMENT



PRESS RELEASE

On 07/29/2018 at about 1030am, Lemoore Police Officers were dispatched to a reported residential burglary and two vehicle thefts in the 200 block of Toomey Street. Upon arrival and contact with the victim, it was reported that sometime over the course of the night several suspects broke into the victim's home and stole multiple items. They also took the victims SUV and work trailer that were at the residence.

The case was transferred to the LPD Detective Division for follow-up investigation. Through the use of multiple videos obtained from the victim's residence as well as several neighbors, Detectives were able to identify two suspects in this case. The first was Leah Diaz, 32 of Fresno, and the second was Kenneth Staton, 29 of Lemoore. A suspect vehicle was also identified as being used to tow the trailer from the home.

On 08/16/2018 at about 3:30pm, Lemoore Detectives were contacted by Officers from the Fresno Police Departments Career Criminal Auto Theft Team (CCATT) who notified them that they had Diaz and Staton in custody in Fresno. LPD Detectives responded to the scene in the 3600 block of E. Illinois Street in Fresno and took custody of Diaz and Staton. Also located at this address was the stolen utility trailer in this case. Both suspects were then transported to the Kings County jail where they were booked on charges of residential burglary, two counts of vehicle theft, and conspiracy to commit a crime. Their bail was set at \$300,000.00 each.

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