

T O R R A N C E

Press Release
Police Department

Robbery Suspects Arrested **DR # 06-9624**

On June 22, 2006 at approximately 10:46 a.m., the Torrance Police Department's Crime Impact Unit observed 3 male adults in a suspicious vehicle at Artesia Blvd and Prairie Ave. While following the vehicle, they observed dye pack smoke coming from the interior of the vehicle and the occupants discarding money. They followed the vehicle eastbound on 171st Street where the suspects switched vehicles at 171st Street and Cordary Avenue. The suspect vehicle continued eastbound to Crenshaw Blvd. and proceeded southbound before turning into the El Pollo Loco parking lot on the north side and stopping. The suspects then fled from the vehicle westbound into the neighborhood.

During this incident the Torrance Police Department received a robbery call from Cash America, located at 3957 Artesia Blvd. The description of the robbery suspects fit the description of the suspects fleeing from the police. A perimeter was set up and a canine search was conducted by the Torrance Police Department, assisted by canine units from Redondo Beach PD, Hawthorne PD and Inglewood PD. LAPD Helicopter Air 18 provided assistance during the house to house search for the suspects.

During the search the three suspects were located inside the perimeter. The suspects were located in the 17300 block of Delia Ave., 17200 block of Delia Ave. and at Artesia and Crenshaw Blvd. The suspects were transported to the Torrance Police Department for booking and further investigation on robbery charges.

The investigation continues under the direction of Captain Marc Wilkins, Special Operations Bureau.

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