

PRESS RELEASE



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SEAL BEACH, CA: On August 1, 2015, three suspects were arrested by Seal Beach Police Detectives on 21 counts of commercial burglary after they were observed on surveillance cameras stealing high-end cosmetics from numerous CVS stores throughout Orange County, California. All are accused of stealing the cosmetics for several years throughout five Southern California counties to include Orange, Los Angeles, San Bernardino, Santa Barbara and Ventura. According to CVS Loss Prevention, the approximate financial loss since June 2013 – Present, is over \$58,650.

The Orange County CVS Stores burglarized are as follows:

- 921 Pacific Coast Highway, Seal Beach, CA
- 12490 Seal Beach Blvd., Seal Beach, CA
- 2521 East Bluff Drive, Newport Beach, CA
- 19121 Beach Blvd. Huntington Beach, CA
- 2701 Harbor Blvd., Costa Mesa, CA

Charges:

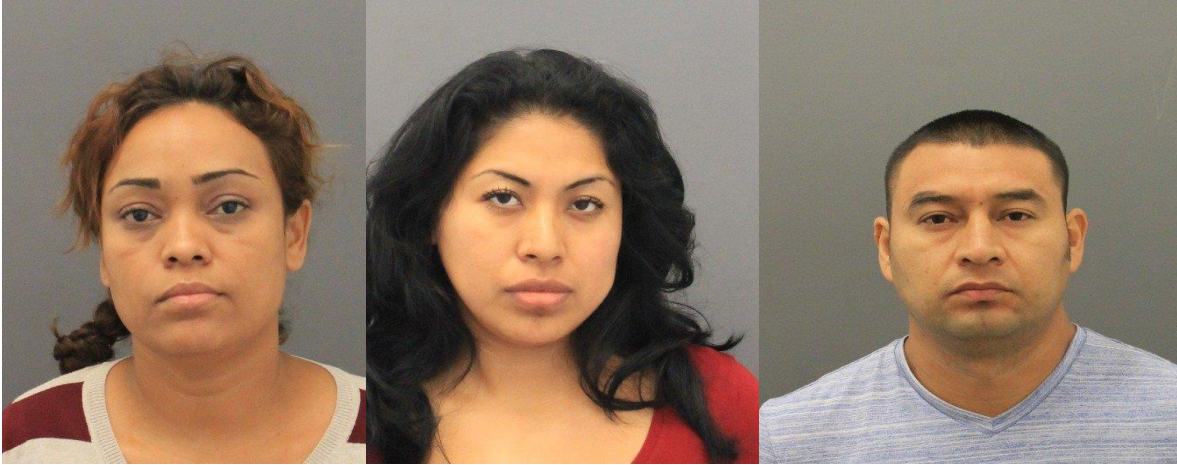
- Maria Rosa Sarmiento, Hispanic Female, 36 YOA, resident of Los Angeles, CA:
 - (9) Counts of 459 P.C. – Burglary
 - (1) Count of 488 P.C. – Petty Theft
- Teresa Hernandez, Hispanic Female, 29 YOA, resident of Los Angeles, CA:
 - (7) Counts of 459 P.C. – Burglary
 - (1) Count of 488 P.C. – Petty Theft

- Miguel Angel Contreras, Hispanic Male, 35 YOA, resident of Los Angeles, CA:
 - (3) Counts of 459 P.C. – Burglary

Maria Rosa Sarmiento

Teresa Hernandez

Miguel Angel Contreras



For video surveillance from a CVS Seal Beach incident, please review the below link on the Seal Beach Police Department's YouTube Page:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hOQ6dE3JK2k>

At the time of this press release, the only charges the Seal Beach Police Department will be seeking are those listed above. All other counties will be seeking their own charges at a later date/time.

Seal Beach Detectives believe additional CVS Stores in Orange County may have been affected by this Organized Crime Crew and are asking the public's assistance for any information related to this case. If you have any information, please contact Burglary Detective Mariana Martinez at (562) 799-4100 Ext. 1110, or by email at mmartinez@sealbeachca.gov
