

## San Diego County SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

## **NEWS RELEASE INFORMATION SHEET**

Subject: Property recovered from Commercial Theft

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## **SYNOPSIS:**

On October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019, Detectives from the San Diego County Sheriff's Department Alpine Station, assisted by Detectives from the Arizona Department of Public Safety GIITEM Taskforce arrested (2) two suspects responsible for the theft of a metal sculpture depicting a horse from the Double S Tack and Feed Store in Unincorporated El Cajon, Ca. Alpine Detectives coordinated with the San Diego Regional Law Enforcement Coordination Center to contact detectives in the State of Arizona to locate and recover the metal sculpture at a residence In Golden Valley, Arizona.

The theft of this sculpture was reported on October 12<sup>th</sup>, 2019 by the business owner, but actually occurred on October 2nd, 2019. The community associated with this business was instrumental in identifying potential leads for investigators to utilize in this investigation. It also needs to be mentioned that the business community around this area provided numerous investigative leads through the utilization of surveillance technology.

The two (2) suspects arrested for this theft are identified as Percy Hill, about 56 years of age, residing in Golden Valley, Az. and Rick Freeman, about 62 years of age, residing in Lakeside, Ca. Both suspects were arrested for the theft and booked into their respective Detention Facilities for their area.

The owner of the sculpture will be coordinating with Arizona Law Enforcement authorities to recover their property at a later time.

Call Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477 with information and you will remain anonymous. You can also download the P3 anonymous tip app. You may be eligible for up to a \$1,000 reward for information that leads to an arrest.

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