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Subject : **Citizen Tip Leads to the Arrest of Two Auto Burglars****Contact :** Detective Brian Philip, Police Department 650-329-2408

Palo Alto, CA - On December 10, 2008, an alert Palo Alto citizen recorded the license plate number of a suspicious vehicle seen in the 300 block of Homer. The citizen believed the vehicle's occupant had just committed an auto burglary. Two auto burglaries were later reported.

Palo Alto Police Department detectives determined that the vehicle was recently purchased by a subject on active Santa Clara probation. On December 16, 2008, Palo Alto Police contacted 29 year old Tizoc Loredo at a residence in Alviso. A probation search of the suspect's room and vehicle yielded stolen property from multiple auto burglaries in Palo Alto, San Mateo, Santa Clara and San Jose. Some of the recovered property was reported stolen to San Mateo Police three hours prior to the probation search.

Police also recovered a 22 caliber handgun located beneath the driver seat of the suspect vehicle, the same vehicle seen in Palo Alto on December 10. The weapon had a loaded magazine and additional ammunition was hidden in the vehicle's ash tray.

Loredo was arrested for a probation violation and an outstanding warrant. Upon the conclusion of this investigation, Loredo will face numerous charges related to burglary, weapons violations and fraudulent credit card use.

A second subject, 23 year old Mario Soria, was also contacted at the residence. This subject was arrested for an outstanding robbery warrant and will face charges for his involvement in the San Mateo auto burglary.

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