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**Subject :** Burglars Target East Bayshore Businesses**Contact :** Detective Brian Philip, Police Department 650-329-2408

**Palo Alto, CA** - Over the past week four businesses have been burglarized along the East Bayshore corridor. In three of the burglaries that took place over the past weekend, December 27 - 28, thieves gained access through an open or unlocked door. While inside the building, they forced entry into three office suites and attempted entry into a fourth unit. The burglars took small computers, monitors, flat panel televisions and projectors from the suites.

In another burglary Sunday evening, December 28, the suspects smashed out an exterior window of the business and removed an LCD projector. Palo Alto Police immediately responded to an alarm but did not locate any suspects.

Palo Alto Police Detectives are currently investigating the burglaries for any possible leads. The burglaries occur during the overnight hours with the majority taking place over weekends. Palo Alto units will continue increased night time patrols in the targeted areas.

Some of the victims are working with Police to develop their own proactive security measures and have already put some in place. Private patrols, better lighting, and additional security cameras are some of the ideas being considered.

Palo Alto Police encourages business owners and employees in the area to secure or remove small electronic items during non-office hours. Additionally, employees working during off hours should report any unauthorized persons seen within non-public building areas.

Anyone with information about this case is asked to call the Police Dispatch Center at 650-329-2413 or the anonymous tip line at 650-329-2190.

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