



## Vacaville Police Department

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## *Press Release*

**Today's Date:** 8/1/13  
**Date & Time Occurred:** 8/1/13 at 11:24 a.m.  
**Submitted By:** Sgt. Jeff King  
**Phone:** (707) 449-5200  
**Case Number:** 13-05338  
**Type of Crime/Incident:** 211 PC, Armed Robbery  
**Location:** Zale's Jewelry Store  
131 Nut Tree Road Vacaville  
**Suspects:** Four subjects dressed in dark clothing with their faces covered

### **POLICE SEEK SUSPECTS IN TAKEOVER-STYLE ROBBERY AT JEWELRY STORE**

Vacaville police are looking for four suspects who entered a local jewelry store late Thursday morning, smashed the display cases, grabbed the contents of the cases and then sped away.

The suspects entered the Zale's Jewelry Store at 131 Nut Tree Road at about 11:24 a.m. Thursday and conducted a take-over style robbery. One suspect was armed with what appeared to be an assault rifle. Two other suspects had hammers that they used to smash out display cases, while a fourth suspect was carrying a bag that was used to collect stolen merchandise. The suspects were all wearing dark clothing and had their faces covered during the robbery.

The group worked together, keeping store employees and patrons under control at gunpoint, while others smashed out display cases. The suspects fled the area in a cream-colored mid-sized SUV. No direction of travel was given after the suspects left the complex.

No one was physically injured during the crime. An undisclosed amount of jewelry was taken from the store. Detectives from the Investigative Services Section (ISS) are working on several leads with this case.

The method used in this case is very similar to the DeBartolo Jewelry Store robbery in Vacaville last year, as well as numerous other robberies throughout Northern California. Arrests were made in the DeBartolo robbery and the case is still awaiting trial.

Anyone with information about this crime is urged to contact the Vacaville Police at (707) 449-5200 or Detective Chris Lechuga at (707) 449-5269.