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Press Release

Today's Date: June 27, 2014
Date & Time Occurred: June 26, 2014 at 9:59 p.m.
Submitted By: Sergeant David Kellis
Phone: 707-449-5200
Case Number: 14-4814
Type of Crime/Incident: Burglary, felony evading, probation violations, assault on a police K9, obstruction of a peace officer, driving while suspended, stolen vehicle, hit and run.
Location: Kohl's Department Store
Suspects: Branch, Keshan
42-year-old male
Fairfield resident

Collins, Melinda
30-year-old female
Fairfield resident

Narrative:

On June 26, 2014, at around 10:00 p.m., officers were dispatched to Kohl's Department Store on Orange Drive regarding a theft in progress. Officers were provided with a suspect description and as they arrived in the parking lot, the suspects exited the store with stolen merchandise. Upon seeing the officers, the suspects ran to a vehicle and left the scene at a high rate of speed, leading officers in a pursuit. S-Branch drove the car onto eastbound I-80 against traffic in an attempt to evade police. The pursuit was cancelled for public safety reasons.

A short while later, the same vehicle was located driving eastbound on I-80 with the flow of traffic and another vehicle stop was attempted. Once again, S-Branch led officers on a short high speed pursuit, exiting on Meridian Road and losing control as he attempted to turn onto the overpass. The vehicle collided with a tree and S-Branch fled on foot, while S-Collins was taken into custody without incident.

S-Collins was found to be on active probation and the vehicle the suspects fled in was found to be reported stolen out of the city of Vallejo.

K-9 Roscoe located S-Branch hiding in nearby bushes and S-Branch was taken into custody, but not before attempting to injure K-9 Roscoe. He was also found to be driving on a suspended license and is on active probation.