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Press Release

Today's Date:	July 27, 2015
Date & Time Occurred:	July 11, 2015 - 5:44 p.m.
Submitted By:	Sergeant Steve Carey
Phone:	(707) 449-5242
Case Number:	15-05428
Type of Crime/Incident:	459 PC Commercial Burglary
Location:	1600 Block of E. Monte Vista Ave
Suspects:	Catherine Strickfaden, 26, Pacifica resident

ARREST MADE IN THEFT AT BLAKE AUSTIN BEAUTY ACADEMY

Police have arrested a suspect in the theft of a wallet from the Blake Austin Beauty Academy in Vacaville.

Catherine Strickfaden, 26, of Pacific was arrested July 24 in San Francisco while a passenger in a stolen vehicle.

During their investigation, Vacaville police learned Strickfaden and an unnamed male had stolen a vehicle from San Francisco. On July 8, Strickfaden made her way to Granite Bay with the vehicle, where she stole an employee's purse from a dental office break room. The vehicle was seen at a fast food drive-thru when a purchase was made with one of the victim's stolen credit cards.

On July 11 Strickfaden traveled to Vacaville, where she stole items from an employee's purse at the Blake Austin Beauty Academy. A credit card taken from the Vacaville victim was used at a gas station in Hercules. Witnesses were able to identify Strickfaden as the female who stole the vehicle and who was at the Blake Austin Beauty Academy. Based on this investigation, a \$150,000 commercial burglary warrant was issued for Strickfaden's arrest.

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Strickfaden was located in San Francisco on July 24 while a passenger in a stolen vehicle. A search of the vehicle led to the discovery of evidence related to the Vacaville burglary as well as evidence of other crimes. She was booked into San Francisco County Jail on the Solano County arrest warrant as well as additional charges from San Francisco Homeland Security Federal Police for 496(a) PC – Possession of stolen property and 10851 CVC – Possession of a stolen vehicle.

This investigation was a joint effort between the Vacaville Police Department, Placer County Sheriff's Department, Colma Police Department, and the San Francisco Homeland Security Federal Police.

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