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San Francisco Police Make Arrests in Taraval and Ingleside Burglary Series 20-145

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Officers arrest three serial burglars, seize several high-capacity firearms, and several stolen items taken in San Francisco burglaries.

In early October of 2020, the SFPD Burglary Unit commenced an investigation into a series of armed burglaries that occurred in the city's Taraval and Ingleside Districts. In some of the incidents, the victims were in their homes when they were confronted by suspects armed with guns. The suspects would take cash, jewelry, and electronics. In one incident the suspects confronted a 16-year-old female victim in her home, took her cell phone,

and demanded money.

On Friday, December 11, 2020, investigators from the SFPD Burglary Unit and the SFPD Special Investigations Division along with officers from the SFPD Tactical Unit and officers from the Field Operations Bureau served search warrants in San Francisco, Vallejo, Oakland, Stockton, and Carmichael. The Sacramento County Sheriff's Department assisted in the search warrant service in Carmichael. Taken into custody during the search warrant service were 30-year-old Joshua Pittman of San Francisco, 31-year-old Deandre Quininnie of San Francisco, and 26-year-old Leticia Gilton of Vallejo.

In addition to the three arrests, investigators seized several firearms including two semiautomatic rifles, six semiautomatic handguns, and several items of evidence linked to burglaries in San Francisco.

Pittman and Quinnine were booked at San Francisco County Jail on charges of robbery (211 PC), burglary (459 PC), false imprisonment (236 PC), and child endangerment (273a(a) PC). Gilton was booked at San Francisco County Jail on charges of robbery (211 PC), burglary (459 PC), false imprisonment (236 PC), and grand theft (487(a) PC). The charges connect each suspect to four separate home burglaries in San Francisco.

San Francisco is experiencing an increase in home burglaries. SFPD's response to burglary investigations begins with patrol officers who take the initial report, canvass the area for evidence and notify crime scene investigators and Burglary Detail investigators. Investigators exhaust every lead, which can include witness statements, video footage, and physical evidence in an effort to recover stolen property and identify and arrest the suspects. When an arrest is made, burglary investigators present the best possible case to the district attorney for rebooking. The SFPD Burglary Detail tracks repeat offenders and burglary "crews" in an effort to connect these offenders to other burglaries and help prevent future burglaries.

This investigation is one example of the hard work and dedication police officers and investigators commit to every day to recover and return stolen property to the rightful owners, take firearms off the street and arrest serial burglars.

Photos of the recovered firearms accompany this news release.

While arrests have been made these remain open investigations. Anyone with information about any of these incidents is asked to call the SFPD 24-hour tip line at 1-415-575-4444 or Text a Tip to TIP411 and begin the text message with SFPD. You may remain anonymous.

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