



Vacaville Police Department

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Press Release

Today's Date: 3/15/2011
Date & Time Occurred: Recently discovered dating back to December 2010
Submitted By: PIO
Phone: (707) 449-5200
Case Number: Numerous
Type of Crime/Incident: 503.5 PC – ID theft
Location: Nation's, 100 Browns Valley Parkway, Vacaville
Suspects: Unknown

VACAVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT UNCOVERS I.D. THEFTS AT LOCAL RESTAURANT

Vacaville police are asking residents to review their bank statements following the discovery of a string of identity thefts at a local restaurant.

Police became aware of the large-scale I.D. theft case in early March, and since then almost 200 people have been identified as victims. Police have identified the Nation's Giant Hamburgers located at 100 Browns Valley Parkway in Vacaville as the point of compromise for these thefts.

Vacaville fraud investigators have contacted representatives from Nation's and made them aware of the crimes. Nation's representatives are cooperating with police to identify this breach in security. The problem with Nation's credit card machines appears to have been corrected and the investigation is ongoing.

Many of the fraudulent transactions are occurring on the east coast, Arizona and Mexico. So far, 10 financial institutions have been identified as having customers who are victims of theft. Police fear that many more citizens may be victimized and may not be aware of it. Anyone who used a credit card at the Nation's restaurant in Vacaville in the last three months should review their bank statements for irregularities.

Anyone who believes they are a victim of I.D. theft should first notify their financial institution and then file a police report with their local law enforcement agency. California Penal Code 530.6 requires an officer to take a report of identity theft in the city where the victims live or work.

Vacaville residents may file a police report by calling (707) 449-5200 or at the front counter of the Vacaville Police Department, 660 Merchant Street, Vacaville. Online reports can also be filed at <http://www.cityofvacaville.com/departments/police/reportingonl.php>.