



## **Vacaville Police Department**

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## *Press Release*

**Today's Date:** 12/30/11  
**Date & Time Occurred:** 12/30/11 at 3:14 a.m.  
**Submitted By:** Sergeant Todd Dye  
**Phone:** 707-449-5212  
**Type of Crime/Incident:** 451 PC, Arson  
**Suspect:** Kathryn Worthen, 60, Vacaville transient

### **POLICE ARREST 60-YEAR-OLD WOMAN ON CHARGES OF ARSON**

Vacaville police arrested a 60-year-old transient after learning she had started a fire at a local recycling station near a convenience store.

On Friday morning at 3:14 a.m., the Vacaville Communications Center received a 9-1-1 call from a pay phone at the 7-Eleven store at 1097 East Monte Vista Avenue. Nothing was heard on the open 9-1-1 line. An officer was sent to the area to investigate and upon their arrival saw S-Kathryn Worthen, 60, walking away from the parking lot. Citizens in the parking lot flagged down the officer and pointed to a fire that was blazing a block away at the Recycle Station located at 1193 East Monte Vista Avenue. One citizen identified S-Worthen as being present at the Recycle Station when the fire started.

Officers were able to contact S-Worthen as she was leaving the area on foot and evidence was found linking her to being the source of the fire. She was ultimately booked into the Solano County Jail for arson. S-Worthen has had several contacts with the police department including an incident in September 2011 where she was arrested for starting trash cans on fire in the Nugget Shopping Center.

The fire department was able to douse the fire before it spread to the nearby business or utility pole. During this process traffic was shut down in the 1100 block of East Monte Vista Avenue. Representatives from the Recycle Station could not be located and it still unknown how much damage the fire caused.

The police department would like to obtain more detailed statements from the citizens who flagged down the police officer in the 7-Eleven parking lot. Witnesses or anyone else with information about this fire should call Officer Gregory Eisert at (707) 449-5200.

Criminal activity can be reported at [www.cityofvacaville.com/departments/police](http://www.cityofvacaville.com/departments/police), or you can call "Crime Stoppers" and leave an anonymous tip at 707-644-STOP (7867). Crime Stoppers may pay up to \$1,000 for information that leads to an arrest.