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Burglary Arrests

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Since mid-October, there have been 4 organized groups consisting of a total of 11 people that have been arrested for charges including B&E, Home Invasion, and other felony property crimes throughout the City. This has resulted in more than \$10,000 worth of stolen property being recovered to date. More than 30 warrants have been secured as of this time and more are anticipated as the investigation proceeds. We believe that these groups are responsible for dozens of burglaries throughout the City.

The success in arresting these groups is a result of the combined efforts of the Police Department and the citizens of these areas.

The Police Department utilized crime mapping and analysis to assist in determining the allocation of resources to this ongoing investigation. As a result, different bureaus of the department became involved (CATT, Special Operations, Patrol, and Traffic Enforcement). At coordinated times, these units flooded the affected areas in a highly visible manner and at other times, the operation continued in unmarked vehicles conducting surveillance operations.

As is often the case, citizen awareness and involvement was critical to the operation. The many eyes of the residents in the community multiplied the effectiveness of the police investigation and led to several of the arrests. These criminals had nowhere to hide.

We ask that any person watching this broadcast who recognizes one of these individuals as being in your neighborhood around the time of a burglary, to please contact the Flint Police Detective Bureau at 810-237-6900.

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