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Police arrest police impersonator

Riverside, Ca. – On January 18, 2011, Detectives from the Riverside Police Department's East Neighborhood Policing Center, Investigations Unit, apprehended a person who was impersonating a City of Riverside police officer.

Detectives were investigating reports of a subject who had recently contacted residents at their homes and represented himself as a Riverside Police officer. The subject asked questions as if he was investigating a series of crimes that had occurred in the neighborhood area of Trafalgar Avenue and Big Horn Drive. The residents became suspicious and notified police.

Detectives conducted follow up investigation and subsequently conducted a search of a suspect's home, which is located in the 2200 block of Trafalgar Avenue in the city of Riverside. During the search, numerous items of police paraphernalia, several firearms and a small amount of suspected drugs were located and taken as evidence.

Detectives arrested two suspects, Derek BASH, 25 and his brother Scott BASH, 28, both of Riverside and both live at the residence. Derek Bash was charged with the crime of impersonating a police officer. Scott Bash was charged with illegal possession of firearms and the possession of a controlled substance and was booked into the Robert Presley Detention Center.

Anyone who has information about these incidents is asked to contact Detective Marc Dehdashtian from the Riverside Police Department's East NPC Investigations Unit at 951-351-6289.

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Derek BASH

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