



# NEWS RELEASE

## COLTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

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### Identity Theft and Possession of Stolen Property

**Date:** December 13, 2016

**Time:** 0907 hours

**Suspects:** Frankie Gonzalez, 26 years, Moreno Valley CA  
Ashley Casada, 28 years, Riverside CA

**Location:** La Cadena St. and Valley Blvd., Colton CA

**Victim:** John Doe / State of California

**Case:** 16-08289

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#### Summary:

Colton Police Officers made a routine traffic stop for vehicle code violations at La Cadena and Valley Blvd.. The vehicle was occupied by a male and female later identified as Frankie Gonzalez and Ashley Casada. During the traffic stop investigation, officers located evidence that both suspects were involved in mail and identity theft. One victim was later identified as a Colton resident who told investigators his mail had been diverted by unknown means and resulted in thousands of dollars being taken from his accounts. Business checks from San Bernardino were also located with some being made out to Casada. During questioning, Casada gave a false name and was found to have two active felony warrants for identity theft and possession of stolen property. Both Casada and Gonzalez were booked into jail on the charges of PC 496(a), PC 530.5(c)(2), and PC 470(a) in addition to any warrants.

Anyone with any additional information is encouraged contact Detective Robert Vega at (909) 370-5000.