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## PRESS RELEASE

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### Commercial Burglary Suspect Arrested

Pacifica, CA- On April 16, 2022 at approximately 1:00 AM, Officers from the Pacifica Police Department were dispatched to a cannabis retail business on the 2100 block of Palmetto Avenue for a possible burglary in progress. While units were responding, the security company reported a male subject was attempting to force entry into the business through the front door. The suspect apparently was not able to gain entry. The security staff provided a description of the suspect and his direction of travel from the business. Upon arrival, officers located an occupied suspicious vehicle nearby and determined one of the occupants matched the suspect description that was provided. The subjects were detained without incident for further investigation. Through their investigation, Officers also located additional evidence connecting the suspect in the vehicle to this attempted burglary and possibly other thefts. It was determined the suspect had damaged the store entrance, but not been able to successfully enter the business. The suspect was identified as Curtis Lee Smith Jr, a 32 year old resident of San Pedro, California. He was arrested and later booked at the main jail.

Later that morning, at approximately 5:40 AM, Officers were dispatched to a convenience store on the 100 block of Manor Drive for a reported burglary which had occurred overnight. A window had been broken to gain entry. After review of store surveillance video, officers determined Curtis Lee Smith, Jr. had committed this burglary before he later attempted to burglarize the cannabis retail business on Palmetto Avenue.

Curtis Lee Smith Jr, was booked at the San Mateo County main jail for the below listed charges related to these two incidents;

664/ 459 PC, Attempted Commercial Burglary,  
594(a)(3) PC, Felony Vandalism,  
459 PC, Felony Commercial Burglary,  
496(a) PC, Felony Possession of Stolen property.

Anyone with information regarding this crime are asked to call the Pacifica Police Department at 650-738-7314, or the Silent Witness Tip Line at 650-359-4444. Online crime tips may also be submitted on our website at <http://www.cityofpacifica.org/depts/police/default.asp> .

Refer: Pacifica Police Cases 22-0995, 22-0997.

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