



SANTA MONICA COLLEGE POLICE DEPARTMENT
POLICE BULLETIN



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BURGLARY ARRESTS

TWO SMC STUDENT WORKERS ARRESTED FOR CONSPIRACY TO COMMIT BURGLARY

On 6/03/2009 at approximately 10:00am, Santa Monica College Police Officers Ruetz, Becerra and Champagne responded to a call of theft that just occurred from the SMC Library. The victim provided a suspect description that was provided to her by a student witness.

Officers conducted follow-up investigation with local businesses, which revealed the identity of the suspects: Kelsey Boucher of Los Angeles, 18yrs and Karmel Wiggins of Los Angeles, 18yrs; both student workers at Santa Monica College.

Boucher and Wiggins admitted that they planned to commit the theft, sell the stolen book, then use the money to purchase illegal drugs. Both suspects also admitted to stealing books from campus on prior occasions, then selling them for a profit.

Officers arrested Boucher and Wiggins and transported them to the Santa Monica City Jail for felony booking. They were each held on \$20,000 bail for Burglary, Conspiracy to commit burglary and drug related charges.

If you have been a victim of a textbook theft and have not reported the theft, please contact the Santa Monica College Police Department, (310) 434-4300 – Reference Case # 09-432.