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Deputies Arrest Two after Report of Mail Theft

December 10, 2016 - Two women were arrested today after Sheriff's deputies stopped a vehicle suspected in stealing mail in the community of Aloha. A stolen gun was also recovered during the incident.

On Saturday, December 10, 2016, at about 9:56 a.m., a man reported seeing someone take mail out of his neighbor's mailbox in the 16100 block of SW Bridle Hills Drive in the community of Aloha. The caller reported that he saw two people in a Ford Windstar van, the driver and the person stealing the mail. He described the van and gave a plate associated with it.

Sheriff's deputies responded to the scene and took a report from the resident whose mail was stolen and interviewed the witness who called it in. At about 10:34 a.m., the deputies cleared the scene and were in route to another call. The deputies continued to look for the vehicle as they were driving to their next call. They spotted the suspect vehicle traveling in the opposite direction on SW Tualatin Valley Highway (TV Highway) at about SW 174th Ave.

The deputies quickly turned around and performed a traffic stop on the suspect vehicle. During their contact with the driver, Heather Lamoreaux, 33, and the passenger, Christina Espinoza, 37, both no known addresses, they discovered a loaded "Sig-Sauer P238" .380 caliber handgun in the driver side door. Ms. Espinoza had a knife concealed on her. Both women were arrested.

Deputies discovered stolen mail in the van addressed to 14 individual houses. They were able to contact two of the mail theft victims who said the suspects should not be in possession of their mail. Deputies also found four different Oregon ID cards and nine different credit cards in Ms. Lamoreaux's possession.



On November 27, 2016 in the City of Beaverton, a vehicle and this handgun were reported stolen. The victim's credit card from that case was one of the cards recovered today.

Both women were taken to the Washington County Jail and booked. Ms. Lamoreaux was charged with two counts of Mail Theft, Theft I, Unlawful Possession of a Firearm and Identity Theft.

Ms. Espinoza was charged with two counts of Mail Theft, Felon in Possession of a Restricted Weapon, she is also being held on a probation violation.

This case is still under investigation as investigators are still trying to locate other victims in the case. Additional charges are likely to be filed.