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Burglars Gain Entrance to La Palma Home by Posing as Public Works Employees

LA PALMA, Calif. – On Wednesday, March 30, 2011, at 11:30 a.m., two men posing as City of Cerritos Public Works employees burglarized a home at the 7800 block of Trinity in the City Of La Palma. The men, described as white, possibly Hispanic, 30-40 years of age, both wearing official looking name tags, gained entry into the home by telling the residents it was necessary to check the quality of the water from inside the house. When the residents allowed the men into the house one of them distracted the residents while pretending to be checking the water. The other suspect went into a bedroom, taking cash and jewelry. The residents did not call the police until late afternoon, after discovering their property missing. One of the suspects was described as 5 foot 6 inches, 175 pounds, brown hair, wearing a black shift, dark pants, and black shoes. The other suspect was 5 foot 7 inches, 175 pounds, brown hair, wearing a white shirt, light colored pants, and black shoes.

The La Palma Police Department is advising residents that when someone asks to be let into their home who claims to be a city or government official, to look at their credentials closely and to call the La Palma Police Department at (714) 690-3370 if they have any doubts.

About the City of La Palma

The City of La Palma is a 1.9 square mile general law city in northwest Orange County, consisting of 16,081 residents and 482 commercial and industrial businesses. The City was incorporated in 1955 under the name of Dairyland and has 65 full-time and 35 part-time employees.

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