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**Los Banos**  
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**LOS BANOS POLICE DEPARTMENT**

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March 14, 2008  
Local business burglarized

Officers responding to a burglar alarm in the 1300 block of East Pacheco Boulevard interrupted a burglary in progress. Officer Jake Bento arrived at the business to find two males along the eastside of the business standing next to a broken window. They attempted to flee, however Officer Bento caught the two, identified as 30 year old Miguel Mendoza of Dos Palos and 31 year old Pedro Cuevas of Los Banos, a short distance away.

The business owner responded to find items scattered throughout the business and a missing cash register, which is kept empty during non-business hours. Police also learned that witnesses last saw two other males running east through the parking lot of 1400 South Mercey Springs Road where they jumped the fence heading towards Place Road. The cash register was found near where the other two were last seen running.

Both Mendoza and Cuevas remain in custody at the John Latorraca Correctional Facility.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is strongly encouraged to contact the Los Banos Police Department at **209 827 7070**. To leave an anonymous crime tip call, **209 827 7070 X 288**.

If you have access to a computer and the internet you can also leave an anonymous tip, just go to the Police Departments web page at [www.losbanos.org](http://www.losbanos.org). At the bottom of the "Contact" page simply click on the "report graffiti and other crime" link.