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**To:** Media outlets

**From:** Belmont Police Department

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A brazen day time burglary reported to Belmont police by a resident of High Street at 11:20 am today resulted in the identity of several minors involved and recovery of stolen property.

The Belmont Police identified two juveniles within an hour of the burglar call and are looking for a third juvenile in connection with the residential burglary. A number of items were stolen to include electronics and a guitar.

A resident of High Street advised police that they left to shop at a local grocery store and when they returned an hour later they realized a door was open and the residence had been rummaged through. The resident was able to quickly identify missing property which aided police in the recovery of much of the property.

The department K-9 team was dispatched to the burglarized home. Belmont Police K-9 "Vito" led by Officer Evan Boulanger established a scent track from the burglarized home. While officers were conducting a neighborhood canvas on foot with the K-9 team, a contractor working in the downtown area advised police that several minors were observed walking away from the neighborhood carrying a box of electronics and a guitar.

That information led officers to identify two juveniles about a mile away. One of the juveniles admitted to their participation in the burglary. The investigation continues as police seek out a third juvenile suspect. As of time of this press release detectives were gathering finger prints and other evidence from the home as part of this investigation.

The juveniles involved will all face various charges through the Juvenile Justice System. Use of the department K-9 team was instrumental in this investigation. "Vito" was able to lead officers in the right direction the suspects used to leave the area after the crime and ultimately to identify a key witness who gave a description of the suspects.

*Press Release authorized by Lieutenant Richard Mann*