



# BURBANK POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## OFFICIAL NEWS RELEASE UPDATE

### **THEFTS FROM SCHOOL CLASSROOMS SUSPECT ARRESTED & CHARGED**

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In late October 2015, the Burbank Police Department appealed to the media and the public for assistance in identifying a woman who had entered the Bret Harte Elementary Campus, walked into an unoccupied classroom and stole a credit card and cash from a teacher's purse. The female then used the credit card to make purchases at nearby Target Stores.

The public responded to our call for help almost immediately. We learned the same suspect was responsible for committing an additional theft from Emerson Elementary School and several other similar type thefts across Los Angeles County.

Investigators followed leads, which led them to contact a female who was a person of interest in this case. This woman had an unrelated theft warrant out of Los Angeles for committing similar crimes. The investigators interviewed the female, but did not arrest her for the crimes in Burbank, but rather only on the outstanding warrant. At this time, no additional charges are pending against this woman.

As the investigation unfolded, detectives identified another person, 23 year old Los Angeles resident, Morgan Aissa Woods, who we believed was responsible for the crimes in this case. An arrest warrant was obtained for Woods' arrest. She was arrested this past Monday morning, November 15, 2015. Woods was interviewed and made admissions related to her involvement in the burglaries and thefts in Burbank and other jurisdictions.

The Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office filed 13 charges against Woods in a felony complaint. The charges include counts of burglary and identity theft. Woods is being held in-lieu of \$175,000 bail and due to appear in court Wednesday morning.

The Burbank Police Department wishes to thank our community and the media for helping us identify the perpetrator of these crimes. We continue to work with the Burbank Unified School District to make our school campuses safe and comfortable learning environments for our young people.

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