

BUTTE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

MEDIA RELEASE

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SUBJECT: C12-15206-Recovered Stolen Vehicle and Property

On Tuesday September 04, 2012, at approximately 06:39 AM, the Butte County Sheriff's Office received a report of a suspicious vehicle parked at the Shell gas station, located at 11226 Midway, Chico. The reporting party observed a Chevy Blazer parked at the business on the previous night, that at the time did not appear out of place. This morning however, the Blazer had been moved behind a fuel truck at the back of the property. A station employee checked the surveillance footage and found the driver had peered into the closed mini-mart during the night.

When Butte County Sheriff's Deputy W. Brewton arrived, he checked the Blazer's license plate through Dispatch, and discovered the Blazer had been reported stolen in Red Bluff on September 3rd. While Deputy Brewton obtained further information from the reporting party, Butte County Sheriff's Deputy L. Cole began checking the Midway bike trail. Deputy Cole saw a man who matched the driver's description run off the bike trail and into the brush. Deputies detained the man and identified him as 42 year old Joshua Tannenbaum, of Anderson, the Blazer's driver.

As Deputy Brewton began to inventory the contents of the Blazer prior to it being towed for storage, it was found to be completely packed with property inside. As Deputies removed the property from the Blazer, numerous tools and personal items were identified as stolen from the Shell station property. Additional property in the Blazer was stolen from Wilbur's Feed on Myers St. in Chico. A bicycle recovered adjacent to the Blazer was stolen from a nearby home.

Tannenbaum was arrested and booked into the Butte County Jail for possessing the stolen vehicle (in violation of 10851 CVC), possessing stolen property, (in violation of 496 PC) and for the theft of additional property located at scene. Tannenbaum is already on Post Release Community Supervision (County Parole) from Shasta County. Consequently, he is being held without bail for violating the terms and conditions of his prior release.