



# *Chowchilla Police Department*

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## **Press Release 2009-001**

### **Campus Resource Officer Connection solves Commercial Burglary**

On Friday, February 6, 2009, members of the Chowchilla Police Department responded to Illusion 18, a store located at 1718 W. Robertson Blvd regarding merchandise that was missing from the location.

Officer Ken Alberton and Reserve Officer David Burnett, with the cooperation of the business owners, were able to narrow down possible suspects by reviewing video evidence from the store.

Officers contacted Campus Resource Officer Phil Cheatham with the information. Officer Cheatham was able to use his knowledge of local youth in conjunction with the video evidence to identify the teenage juveniles involved in the crime.

After completing the investigation, officers charged three juvenile suspects with commercial burglary and conspiracy.

“Although the loss in this case was less than \$100, it was apparent that this crime was the result of a plan, not a spur of the moment idea” stated Police Chief Jay Varney.

“This is another success story related to the Campus Resource Officer Program. This program has proven consistently to be an excellent tool in combating crime that affects the entire community. This effectiveness is the result of the relationships the officers build with school personnel and students through their campus assignments” added Chief Varney.

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