



# GROVER BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS RELEASE

## Citizen's Call Leads to Arrests for Multiple Felony Charges

**CASE #:** 18-1598 / 18-1599  
**DATE/TIME:** November 24, 2018; 10:05 a.m.  
**LOCATION:** 200 block of N. 11<sup>th</sup> Street  
**ARRESTEES:** **Preston Jacob Scharf, 19, Arroyo Grande**  
**Nikki Lee Orellana, 28, Arroyo Grande**

On November 24, 2018, at approximately 10:05 a.m., Officers were dispatched to a citizen's report of a suspicious vehicle parked in the 200 block of N. 11<sup>th</sup> Street with the doors open. Officers responded and contacted Preston Scharf and Nikki Orellana inside the vehicle. Mrs. Orellana provided the false identification of another person to officers in attempt to conceal her actual identity. Officers were able to determine Ms. Orellana real identity, that she was on Probation and currently had six (6) outstanding warrants for her arrest.

Officers determined Mr. Scharf was also on Probation with a clause to submit to a search of property and person upon request of law enforcement. A probation search of Mr. Sharf and his vehicle discovered he was in possession of a loaded handgun that was reported stolen out of San Luis Obispo, five (5) counterfeit \$100.00 bills, a useable amount of narcotics (heroin), controlled substance paraphernalia, and two (2) spring loaded knives. Both Mr. Sharf and Ms. Orellana were taken into custody without incident.

Both were transported and booked into county jail. The charges include:

**Preston Jacob Scharf:**

PC 496(a)- possession of a reported stolen handgun (felony)  
PC 25400(a)- possession of a concealed firearm (felony)  
PC 12022(a)(1)- committing a felony while armed (felony)  
PC 475(a)- possession of counterfeit money (felony)  
PC 470(b)- forgery (felony)  
PC 21510(a)- possession of a spring loaded knife (misdemeanor)  
HS 11350(a)- possession of a narcotic substance (misdemeanor)  
HS 11364(a)- possession of controlled substance paraphernalia (misdemeanor)

**Nikki Lee Orellana:**

PC 529(a)(3)- using identity of another during commission of crime (felony)  
HS 11350(a)- possession of a narcotic substance (misdemeanor)  
HS 11364(a)- possession of controlled substance paraphernalia (misdemeanor)  
PC 1203.2- violation of probation (misdemeanor)

This is another great example of a citizen seeing something suspicious and reporting it to the Police. Anyone with further information on this investigation or other criminal activity can contact the Grover Beach Police Department at (805) 473-4511. You may also provide further information and remain anonymous by contacting San Luis Obispo County Crime Stoppers at (805) 549-STOP (7867) or via their website at [www.slotips.org](http://www.slotips.org)

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