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PRESS RELEASE

On July 1st, 2013, Ukiah Police Officers investigated the burglary of a residence in the 800 block of Waugh Lane. Officers learned the victims had allowed a couple to reside with them in their residence recently, though they only knew the male subject by his nickname. Several days prior the victims arrived home and had difficulty unlocking their front door. Once they were able to enter they encountered their guests, who stated they'd had friends over and believed the friends had stolen items from the victim's residence. The guests then hurriedly left. The victims determined numerous items had been taken from their residence, including electronics and firearms. The following day one of the guests contacted the victim and returned some of the stolen property, including a firearm and some electronics.

Later in the month of July officers were re-contacted by the victims and told the suspect had returned additional stolen property, though there were additional electronics and a firearm still outstanding. Officers were able to use the description and nickname provided to eventually identify the suspect as 23 year old Andrew John Martinez, who was a convicted felon and had a warrant for his arrest for violating his Post Community Release Supervision (formerly parole). An armed and dangerous "Be On the LookOut" for Martinez was broadcast.

On July 20th at about 2:00 PM Officers determined Martinez was inside a residence in the 500 block of Donner Court. With assistance from the Mendocino County Sheriff's Office and California Highway Patrol, a perimeter was established around the location as was communication with the occupants. Martinez initially refused to exit the residence, but by 2:45 PM Martinez was taken into custody outside without incident.

A search warrant was served at the residence and located amongst Martinez' belongings was the outstanding firearm and missing electronics. Officers also found indications of drugs sales including a large amount of money, as well as an assortment of other electronic devices, a sawed off rifle with a modified hand grip, an assortment of ammunition, jewelry, a shortened barrel from another firearm, illegal fireworks, and growing marijuana plants. Martinez was charged with grand theft of a firearm, burglary, possessing stolen property, possession of a firearm by a convicted felon, possession of a shortened rifle, and violating his supervised release.

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