



WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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PRESS RELEASE

Man Arrested for Stealing from Unlocked Cars

WCSO Case 50-170230302

January 23, 2017 – A man was arrested this morning after deputies determined he had entered several unlocked vehicles the past two days to steal valuables. Some property has now been returned to owners.



Dylan Goetz

On January 23, 2017 at 8:20am, a concerned citizen called non-emergency dispatch and requested a welfare check on a person slumped over behind the wheel of a vehicle in the Garden Home neighborhood.

Deputies arrived and contacted 27-year-old Dylan W. Goetz. They noticed property in the vehicle that belonged to area residents. Deputies soon learned that Mr. Goetz had entered dozens of unlocked cars over the past two days in order to steal valuables.



Mr. Goetz was arrested on charges of Theft I and Unlawful Entry into a Motor Vehicle. Additional charges are likely.

Several stolen items have been returned to owners. Deputies are still receiving calls from additional victims. If you have information regarding this investigation, please contact 503-629-0111.

The Washington County Sheriff's Office reminds everyone of the following crime prevention tips:

- Always lock your vehicle;
- Don't leave your identification, wallet, check book or credit cards in your car;
- Never leave valuables in plain sight;
- Report suspicious people or vehicles in your neighborhood to non-emergency dispatch at (503)629-0111.