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### **INFORMATION RELEASE**

#### **Crime Stoppers Tip Leads to Chop Shop Discovery**

On October 9<sup>th</sup>, 2015, the Solano County Sheriff's Office Investigation Bureau received an anonymous tip through the Solano County Crime Stoppers hotline regarding the location of a stolen vehicle. Investigators with the Sheriff's Office Stolen Vehicle Task Force conducted an investigation into the tip, which led to the service of a search warrant in the 400 block of Banning Ave, Vallejo on October 20<sup>th</sup>, 2015.

Investigators found approximately 20 cars on the property that were in various stages of being dismantled. Six of the vehicles were confirmed as having been reported as stolen, including a 1966 Corvette Stingray and a Bobcat tractor. Information obtained during the search warrant led investigators to a secondary address where they found two more stolen vehicles. No arrests have been made at this time and the investigation is on-going.

This case highlights the importance of community involvement and partnerships. One alert citizen's tip along with the Crime Stoppers program directly led to the discovery of a chop shop operation and the recovery of 8 stolen vehicles.

Anyone with information regarding this case is encouraged to contact the Solano County Sheriff's Office Investigation Bureau at (707) 784-7050. Callers may also remain anonymous by calling Crime Stoppers at (707) 644-STOP (7867).

If you have any questions regarding this press release, I can be contacted at the phone numbers listed below. Any photos that are available for release will be posted on the Solano Sheriff's Office Facebook page.

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