



VILLAGE OF PINECREST  
Press Release

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

*Police nab reported car burglar via stolen iPad tracker*

**Pinecrest, Fla.** – Police arrested Ernesto Lee Eatman, 32, for reportedly stealing an iPad and designer backpack from a silver Mercedes parked in the 5800 block of Southwest 94th Street. The car owner called police after he found Eatman rummaging through his silver Mercedes.

Eatman left the home on foot but was quickly apprehended and arrested by police who were able to find him via the stolen iPad's "Find My Phone" application a few blocks from the victim's house.

Police found a fishnet face mask and forehead light in Eatman's pocket. They also found a stolen credit card belonging to another victim, a portable tent, several cell phones, miscellaneous electronics and a bag of newly purchased items from an Adidas store with a receipt that did not belong to him in the backpack Eatman was carrying. Detectives are investigating to determine if Eatman is responsible for any other crimes in the Pinecrest area.

Police arrested Eatman at 1:30 p.m. Friday, January 22, and charged him with burglary to a residence, burglary to an auto and grand theft. The items stolen from the car were valued at \$4,900.

Photographs and report attached.

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