



HERMOSA BEACH NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

PHOTOS OF SUSPECTS

HBPD PRESS RELEASE



James Ryan, 19 years old
Hermosa Beach resident



Erich Lorenz, 22 years old
Hermosa Beach resident



Natalia Aguilar, 19 years old
Hermosa Beach resident

**Press Release
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For Immediate Release**

"A suspect's prior arrest that was filmed by police TV reality show helps in his apprehension on a violent street robbery."

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Suspects:

- 1) Erich Lorenz, 22 years old
Hermosa Beach resident**
- 2) James Ryan, 19 years old
Hermosa Beach resident**
- 3) Natalia Aguilar, 19 years old
Hermosa Beach resident**

Charge: 211PC Robbery

**Bail: \$100,000 each
All three suspects are currently in police
custody**

Synopsis:

The three suspects rob a homeless man of his state disability money (approximately \$200) and other items. During the commission of the robbery the suspects punch and kick the victim repeatedly, causing injuries to his face and head. While the victim is down on the ground, the suspects take the victim's property, and then flee the area.

(A witness identifies one of the suspects of the robbery as a person who had been arrested by HBPD officers while on the police TV reality show, "Ocean Force- Hermosa Beach" (filmed July 2007). The prior filmed arrest by HBPD officers of the suspect was for public intoxication. Using that information, HBPD officers are able to locate the suspects.)

Details:

On 1-7-09 at approximately 8:20PM HBPD officers responded to a report of a homeless man being robbed in the area of 1100BLK of The Strand.

Officers contact the homeless victim a short distance away from the scene of the crime. The victim had obvious injuries to his face, and said he had been assaulted and robbed.

Witnesses provided a description of the suspects. One witness described one of the suspects (Lorenz) as being a person who had been arrested on the police reality show "Ocean Force- Hermosa Beach". Using this information, HBPD officers were able to piece together that the suspect in question was suspect Lorenz. HBPD officers detained all three suspects in the area of Lorenz residence.

All three suspects were positively identified by the victim as committing the robbery. Further, the suspects had the victim's money and other identifiable stolen items in their possession.

Anyone with information is encouraged to call Detective Mick Gaglia at (310) 318-0360