Two Brampton teens arrested in GTA crime spree

Vehicles at Georgetown's Gellert Community Centre targeted

Two youths were arrested by Halton Regional Police on Tuesday (Aug. 29) for their involvement in a crime spree, spanning multiple jurisdictions in the GTA.

The investigation is continuing in order to identify other suspects related to these incidents.

Last month, police began an investigation into a group of youths committing thefts at various community centres, including centres located in Halton Hills and Oakville, where they broke into lockers and stole personal property, including car keys.

They then attended the parking lots using the car keys to steal the victim's vehicles. Subsequently, the stolen cars were used to commit multiple daytime residential break-and-enters.

The co-accused were alleged to have entered several unlocked lockers at the Gellert Community Centre in Georgetown on July 19.

The youths then stole a Honda CRV and a Kia Sorento from the adjacent parking lot.

On Aug. 4, these individuals were also alleged to have stolen an Acura CSX after breaking into a locker at the Glen Abbey Community Centre in the Town of Oakville.

The HRPS began working in partnership with the Peel Regional Police Service, Ontario Provincial Police, Hamilton Police Service, York Regional Police Service and the Barrie Police Service in an effort to identify the suspects.

A 17-year-old Brampton male has been charged with the following offences:

- . Five counts of theft of a motor vehicle
- . Theft under \$5,000
- . Three counts break and enter

A 14-year-old Brampton male has been charged with the following offences:

- . Theft of a motor vehicle
- . Theft under \$5,000

. Three counts of break and enter

Neither individual can be identified because of the Youth Criminal Justice Act.

Anyone with information regarding these incidents is asked to contact Det. Simon Burden at 905-878-5511 ext. 2116.

Tips can also be forwarded to Crime Stoppers; "See Something, Hear Something, Say Something" at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS), through the web at www.crimestoppers.ca or by texting "Tip201" with your message to 274637 (crimes).

