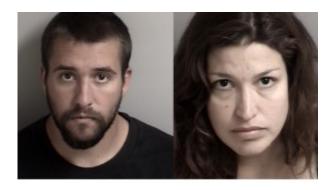
2 accused of stealing package off doorstep



Brandon Graves Perreira

Virginia Morris

'Tis the season for people to steal packages left on doorsteps.

Two Central Valley residents are behind bars tonight on charges of felony conspiracy to commit a crime, misdemeanor theft, and violating probation.

South Lake Tahoe police officers said a neighbor saw a pickup drive slowly down Tanglewood Avenue on the afternoon of Dec. 3. A woman got out of the truck and picked up a package on the porch.

The neighbor called 911.

Police tracked the vehicle down at the Y.

Arrested were Brandon Graves Perreira, 24, and Virginia Morris, 26, both of Gustine. Both individuals are on felony probation for a host of drug and theft charges out of Stanislaus County.

Officers said they discovered the stolen property that had been ordered for delivery to the victim's home.

"Theft of delivered packages is a type of criminal activity which can occur any time of year, but tends to increase during

the holiday season," officers said in press release.

- Lake Tahoe News staff report