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## La Porte PD Arrests Two In Car Burglary Efforts

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Lance Potts

Michael Montes

La Porte police say they've recently arrested one man and secured a warrant for another suspected of burglarizing cars around the city.

Lance Potts, 20, of La Porte, is currently in custody on theft charges. Michael Montes, 19, of La Porte, is charged in a separate car-burglary investigation and remains at large.

Potts was arrested on Feb. 11 in the city's Meadow Crest subdivision, says La Porte Police spokesman Sgt. John Krueger. An officer was patrolling the area, in which several car burglaries had been reported. The officer spotted a group of men walking along Cardinal and Sparrow Streets. He followed them on foot despite the cold weather, and reportedly found one of them, Potts, to be carrying three GPS units, a laptop, and a computer battery that was still in its box. A follow-up investigation traced the items back to two nearby car burglaries.

Montes is charged in a string of burglaries in La Porte's Glen Meadows subdivision. Officers say they have video evidence of "Montes breaking into several cars in the area."

A warrant has been issued for Montes' arrest. Krueger says he recently lived in the Glen Meadows area, and anyone with information on his is asked to reach La Porte police at 281-842-3173. According to online jail records, Potts remains in the Harris County Jail on \$15,000 bond as of Tuesday morning.