



**CITY OF IRWINDALE  
POLICE DEPARTMENT**  
*Ty Henshaw, Chief of Police*

# **MEDIA RELEASE**

## **FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Monday, March 1, 2021**

### **SUSPECT USES VEHICLE TO RAM GATE INTO SECURE POLICE FACILITY**

**Irwindale, CA:** On Saturday, February 27, 2021, at about 6:13 P.M., our Communications Center personnel observed a vehicle on the police station's camera system ramming into a rolling gate leading to the police station's secure parking area. The police dispatcher saw the vehicle repeatedly ramming into the gate, eventually knocking the gate completely off the track, forcing the gate open. The vehicle then entered the police station's parking lot.

Irwindale police officers were immediately dispatched and arrived within minutes. As they did, they saw the driver was now using her vehicle to ram the perimeter wall and other property inside the parking lot, causing extensive damage. The officers were able to immediately detain the driver without incident.

The suspect, Anna Maria Guillen, a 57-year-old resident of Pomona, was booked at the jail on felony vandalism and trespassing charges. Her vehicle, a 2000 Nissan Xterra, was impounded and two small dogs found inside her vehicle were released to the Los Angeles County Department of Animal Control and Care.

"Thankfully no one was hurt in this incident, including the suspect," stated Irwindale Police Chief Ty Henshaw, "The quick response by our officers prevented additional damage to city property and our patrol cars."

Damage to city of Irwindale property is preliminarily estimated to be in excess of \$25,000.00. The Irwindale Police Station is located at 5050 N. Irwindale Avenue in the city of Irwindale and the damaged metal rolling gate leads to a secure police parking lot located on the north side of the police facility in the 16000 block of Calle Del Norte.

Photos available upon request.

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