



# INGLEWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## INDOOR MARIJUANA GROW SEIZED

On February 24, 2011, Inglewood Police Department Narcotic Detectives initiated an investigation into an illegal marijuana cultivation operation. The investigation led detectives to a residence in the 2900 block of west Ardmore Street, South Gate where detectives served a search. Detectives found that the single family residence had been converted into an elaborate cultivation processing center for marijuana. The two bedrooms, one bathroom, as well as the living, dining and kitchen areas had been customized with hydroponic equipment. The suspects had also by-passed the Southern California Edison electric meter with a custom built "Breaker Box" inside the residence for this high energy consuming operation. The bypass is a common characteristic of these types of operations to avoid alerting energy officials and / or law enforcement officials of the high consumption of energy.

Detectives recovered approximately 700 marijuana plants, a handgun, and several thousand dollars in sophisticated lighting equipment. One suspect was taken into custody and booked at the Inglewood Police Department Jail.

The Investigation is ongoing and detectives ask that anyone with information concerning this investigation or any other unlawful drug organization contact the Inglewood Police Narcotics Section at (310) 412-5528, or the 24-hour anonymous hotline number "**888-41-CRIME**" (888/412-7463).

Three photographs Attached:

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