

# **Abbotsford Police Department**

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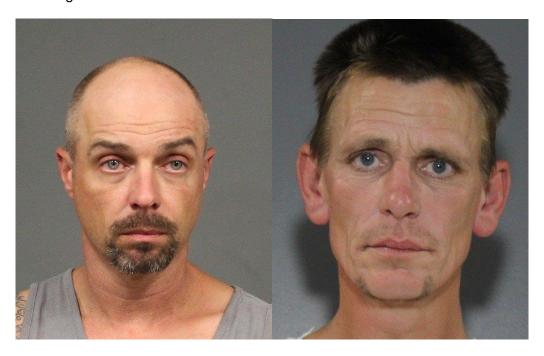
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**UPDATE: Arrests made in Fruiticana Arson** 

After an extensive investigation, Abbotsford Police Department Major Crime Detectives have charged two men in connection with the December 2017 arson at the Fruiticana Grocery Store on Bourquin Crescent.

Scott Kenneth Campbell (43 yrs) and Stephen Turner (44 yrs) (neither from Abbotsford) have been arrested and charged with Arson.



Inspector Tom Chesley, Officer in Charge of the APD Criminal Investigation Branch, stated "The Abbotsford Police Department is committed to investigating offences which impact public safety and investigators are looking forward to advancing this file through the courts."

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To make Abbotsford the safest city in B.C.

Investigators would like to thank everyone who called in their observations and provided assistance on scene.

### Second Release of December 19, 2017

The Major Crime Unit (MCU) of the Abbotsford Police Department continues to investigate this arson. Currently they are looking for a vehicle of interest that was captured by area video surveillance. The vehicle is believed to be a light-coloured 2000 to 2006 GMC Yukon with a faulty right brake light (see photos). Investigators are looking for information about that vehicle, its owner and any occupants the morning of the arson.

In addition, MCU detectives are looking for additional witnesses who have not yet spoken with police but were at the scene and filming the fire on their cellphones.

Witnesses and anyone with information about this arson should contact the Abbotsford Police Department at 604-859-5225, send an email to apdtips@abbypd.ca or call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.

#### Initial Release of December 15, 2017

This morning, at 4:15 am, a witness observed flames and smoke coming from a recently renovated business in the 2700 block of Bourquin Crescent. Abbotsford Fire Rescue Service crews battled the blaze which consumed a portion of the building and caused substantial smoke and water damage to the structure.

Shortly before the 911 call, five individuals, at least one of whom was female, were observed throwing rocks at the windows of this business.

The witness immediately dialed 911 to report the fire. The witness also advised that the same suspects were last seen running westbound on Ventura Ave after the fire began. Abbotsford Police Department Major Crime Unit detectives and Forensics Identification Unit are working with AFRS to determine the cause of the arson. APD investigators are canvassing for video and additional witnesses. Anyone with information about this investigation is asked to contact the Major Crime Unit of the Abbotsford Police Department at 604-859-5225 or call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477.