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UPDATE

TYPE OF CRIME: Armed Robbery
LOCATION: 6900 block Bernal Road
VICTIM: Withheld
ADDRESS: San Jose Resident
SUSPECT: Albert James Mendoza
ADDRESS: City of Hemet, CA Resident

UPDATE

CASE NUMBER: 06-232-0914
DATE/TIME: 8-20-06 / 6:40PM

UPDATE

AGE: 21

DETAILS:

On 8-20-06 at 6:40PM, an armed robbery and assault with a deadly weapon occurred at the Wells Fargo Bank located in the 6900 block of Bernal Road in south San Jose. The victim, a lone female adult in her 40's, was conducting an ATM transaction in front of the bank. The victim, who is hearing-impaired, was approached by the suspect who struck her on the back of the head with a large rubber mallet. When the victim fell to the ground, the suspect stood over her and struck her several more times in the face with the mallet, causing multiple fractures. The suspect took her car keys and fled in the victim's vehicle, a GMC SUV, which was later recovered in Los Banos.

The suspect is described as a Hispanic male in his late teens or early 20's. He stands 5-6 to 5-7 in height and weighs approximately 140 pounds. He had short hair and long sideburns. He was wearing a brown T-shirt with an unknown graphic on the front and a black zip-up sweatshirt with a hood. He may have arrived at the scene in a dark-colored compact car.

There is surveillance video of the assault available on request.

UPDATE: 08-26-06

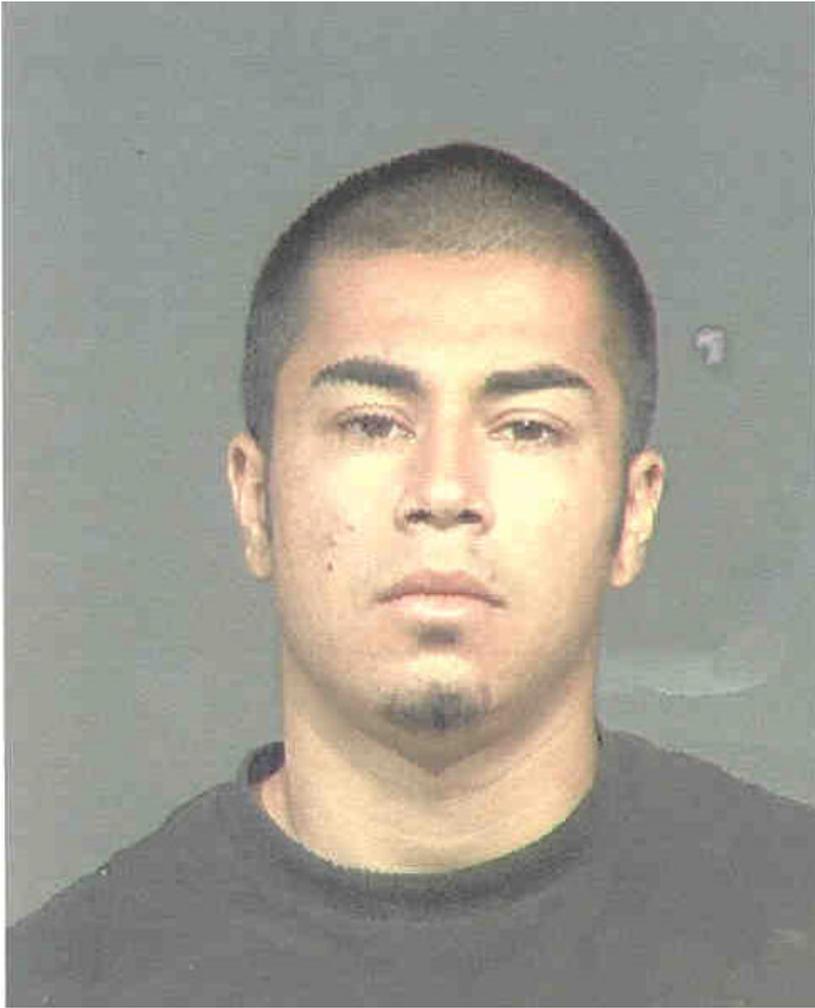
The San Jose Police Department received numerous leads from the community. As a result of one of the leads, detectives were able to identify the suspect. Detectives and MERGE Unit officers responded to the City of Los Banos early this morning where they arrested the suspect without incident. The suspect was booked into Santa Clara County Jail for Robbery, Assault with a Deadly Weapon and Carjacking.

Anyone with additional information on this case is urged to call Detective Paul Hamblin of the San Jose Police Department's Robbery Unit at (408) 277-4166. Persons wishing to remain anonymous may call Crime Stoppers at (408) 947-STOP.

BY: Officer Enrique Garcia #2936
DATE: 8-26-06 TIME: 4:00 PM

AUTHORIZED BY: Lt. Rick Martinez
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PRESS OFFICER BRIEFED BY UNIT COMMANDER (CIRCLE) **YES NO**



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PRESS OFFICER BRIEFED BY UNIT COMMANDER (CIRCLE) **YES** **NO**