



Milpitas Police Department

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PRESS RELEASE

ATTEMPTED KIDNAPPING SUSPECT ARRESTED

Date: March 15, 2011, Tuesday, 2:30 p.m.
Location: Milpitas High School, 1285 Escuela Parkway
Case: 11-074-105
Suspect #1: Ephremjay Uganda Chambers, 33 year-old transient

On March 15, 2011 at approximately 2:30 p.m., a staff member at Milpitas High School reported to an on-site Milpitas Police Department School Resource Officer that a stranger, later identified as Ephremjay Chambers, just attempted to kidnap a female student and attempted to entice two other female students to take a ride in his vehicle.

Seconds later, another officer located the suspect who was driving away from the area in a van at a high rate of speed. The officer attempted to stop the suspect, but the suspect increased his speed and evaded the officer. While the suspect was actively refusing to stop, he collided with another vehicle and continued to flee.

Officers pursued the suspect northbound on I880 where CHP officers took over the pursuit as the suspect was passing through Fremont. CHP officers pursued the suspect as he exited I880 in Union City. The pursuit terminated in a residential area when the suspect abandoned the van and ran away. (The van was later determined to be an unreported stolen vehicle taken from a residence in San Jose.)

Milpitas Police Department officers chased the suspect. The officers overtook the suspect, and he actively resisted arrest by fighting with the officers. The suspect was finally taken into custody, and paramedics were summoned to the scene due to injuries the suspect sustained while he was fighting with the officers. The suspect was transported to a hospital where he was treated and released for minor injuries.

The suspect was ultimately booked into the Santa Clara County main jail for various charges including attempted kidnapping, annoying a minor, assaulting a peace officer, felony evading, hit & run, auto theft, and resisting arrest.

By: Lieutenant Tom Borck
Date: March 16, 2011 11:40 a.m.

