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PRESS RELEASE

Attempted Murder of a Police Officer-Update

DATE: November 27, 2012

LOCATION: 400 (B) Jacklin Road, Milpitas

CASE #: 12-332-015

SUSPECT: Hispanic male, 20-25 years old, 5'6-5'9, 160-180 lbs, medium build, last seen wearing a black/white horizontal striped flannel shirt

SUSPECT VEHICLE: 1996 Honda Accord, tan

DETAILS:

On November 27, 2012 at approximately 1:41 A.M. an anonymous person called 9-1-1 to report a possible crime in-progress. The first Milpitas Police officer arrived at the scene at 1:43 A.M. Several other Milpitas Police officers responded to the scene to search for a suspect. One of the officers positioned himself at Jacklin Road and Interstate 680, which is a possible escape route from the area of the in-progress crime, waiting for the suspect to emerge.

At approximately 1:49 A.M., the officer stopped in the area of Jacklin Road and Interstate 680 observed a Honda Accord traveling northbound North Park Victoria Drive and turn westbound Jacklin Road. The vehicle traveled through the intersection against a red signal light and continued travelling at above the posted speed limit. At this point, the officer did not know whether this vehicle was involved in the incident to which they were responding. The officer maneuvered into position to attempt a traffic stop and eventually stopped the Honda Accord on Jacklin Road west of Escuela Parkway. As the officer exited his patrol car, the driver of the Honda Accord exited the vehicle and shot at the officer. The officer, who has been with the Milpitas Police Department for six years, returned fire. The suspect fled westbound Jacklin Road in the Honda Accord. The officer attempted to give chase but lost the vehicle in the area of Jacklin Road and Arizona Avenue. Milpitas Police Officers canvassed the area and could not locate the suspect or the suspect vehicle.

The police vehicle was struck multiple times by the gunfire, which caused the windshield to shatter. The officer was not shot, but suffered minor injuries during the incident. It is unknown if the suspect was shot. The suspect is described as being a Hispanic male, approximately 20-25 years old, 5'6-5'9, 160-180 lbs, and last seen wearing a black/white horizontal striped flannel shirt.

At approximately 8:04 A.M., a citizen called the Milpitas Police Department about a tan Honda Accord parked in the area with the engine running. Milpitas Police Officers responded to the area of Folsom Place, found the vehicle and concluded it was the vehicle used during the shooting. During the course of the investigation, it was determined the vehicle had been stolen from a San Jose resident. Milpitas Police Officers and a canine searched the neighborhood for the suspect, but they had negative results.

The City of Milpitas and the Milpitas Police Officers Association are collectively offering a \$10,000.00 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of this shooting suspect.

The Milpitas Police Department is still actively investigating this case and is requesting the public's help identifying the suspect or suspects involved in this shooting. Anyone with information is encouraged to call the Milpitas Police Department at (408) 586-2400. Information can also be given anonymously by calling (408) 586-2500 or via the Milpitas Police Department website at: http://www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov/government/police/crime_tip.asp

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