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**PRESS RELEASE**

**STOLEN AND RECOVERED POLICE VEHICLE**

**DATE:** December 23, 2015, Wednesday, 6:18 am

**CASE #:** 15-357-040

**LOCATION:** 1500 (block) South Main Street near Montague Expressway

**SUSPECT:** Unidentified Hispanic male, mid-30s, 5'-10" to 6'-00," 200-230 lbs., bald, heavysset, and last seem wearing prescription glasses with a black square frame, and a dark blue jacket.

On December 23, 2015, at about 6:18 am, an officer was investigating a suspicious van parked on South Main Street. As the officer walked to the van and peered into it for potential occupants, an unidentified male got into the officer's marked police vehicle and drove away southbound towards San Jose. With the GPS based tracking equipment installed in the police vehicle, other officers immediately located the unoccupied police vehicle nearby on Old Oakland Road in San Jose. Officers determined the suspect had abandoned the police vehicle and forcibly took a silver 1997 Toyota Rav4 from a woman driving by. Officers and detectives are still actively investigating the case.

Anyone with any information regarding this incident is encouraged to call the Milpitas Police Department at (408) 586-2400. Information can be given anonymously by calling the Crime Tip Hotline at (408) 586-2500 or via the Milpitas Police Department website at:

[http://www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov/government/police/crime\\_tip.asp](http://www.ci.milpitas.ca.gov/government/police/crime_tip.asp)

Press Release By: Lieutenant Henry Kwong  
Date/Time: December 23, 2015, 3:30 pm

# Carjacking Victim Vehicle

Sent: 2015-12-23 @ 11:41

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Author: Det. Sanchez #280



On 12/23/15, the suspect abandoned his cold-plated stolen vehicle at 1645 S. Main St. when he was contacted by a Milpitas PD officer. The suspect briefly stole a marked patrol vehicle (all weapons accounted for), then forced the victim to stop her vehicle. The suspect forcefully removed the victim from her car and fled southbound on Old Oakland Rd into San Jose. MPD units were UTL and the vehicle has been entered into SVS.

Victim vehicle:

1997 Silver Toyota Rav 4 Ca 3XEU427 (VIN #JT3GP10V7V0018664) with gray rear bumper. The front plate is missing and the rear plate has "Santa Cruz" on it.

Suspect:

HMA, early 30's 5'11" 230 (heavy set) with prescription glasses. He was LSW a blue or black Carhartt jacket.

If vehicle is located, please hold and contact MPD Attention Detective Sanchez 408-586-2501.

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