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San Francisco Police Make Arrest in Robbery, Stabbing Incident 21-082

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On April 10, 2021 at approximately 10:30 PM, San Francisco Police officers from Bayview Police Station responded to the unit block of Exeter Street regarding call of a robbery and stabbing. Upon arrival, officers located the victim, a 53-year-old Asian male who had been robbed and was suffering from stab wounds to his head and chest. Officers rendered aid until relieved by SFFD paramedics. The victim was transported to the hospital with life-threatening injuries including a collapsed lung. The victim has since been discharged from the hospital.

The victim told officers that he was walking on Exeter Street when the suspect appeared and demanded his money. The suspect then began to stab the victim who then grabbed onto the suspect. The suspect continued to stab the victim until a bystander moved toward them. The suspect grabbed the victim's backpack and fled in a waiting red four-door vehicle.

Evidence including witness statements, surveillance video, a knife and human hair were recovered from the scene.

The SFPD Robbery Detail assumed the investigation and identified the suspect as 28-year-old Clarence Sims of San Francisco. DNA evidence from the recovered hair played a role in the suspect's identification.

On April 16, 2021 at approximately 2:00 PM, investigators from the SFPD Robbery Detail and Gang Task Force located an arrested Sims at 3rd Street and Quesada Avenue. Sims was booked on the following charges, robbery (211 PC), assault with a deadly weapon, other than firearm (245(a)(1) PC), and a probation violation (1203.a(a) PC). Sims is on probation/Post Release Community Supervision (PRCS) for a December 2018 robbery involving a firearm.

While an arrest has been made, this remains an active investigation. Anyone with information is asked to call the SFPD Tip Line at [1-415-575-4444](tel:1-415-575-4444) or Text a Tip to [TIP411](text:TIP411) and begin the text message with SFPD. You may remain anonymous.

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