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San Francisco Police Arrest Armed Robbery and Carjacking Suspect 21-201

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On Monday, November 8, 2021, at approximately 6:08 p.m., San Francisco Police officers from Mission Station responded to the 2300 block of Mission Street for a report of an armed robbery and carjacking. Officers arrived on scene and met with four victims: a 36-year-old female, a 36-year-old male, a 37-year-old male, and a 49-year-old male. The victims told officers that an unknown male suspect entered the business and pointed a firearm at the victims. The suspect demanded the victims' money and personal items. Fearing for their safety the victims complied and gave their personal items to the suspect.

The suspect fled out the back door to the business to a parking lot. The suspect saw the fourth victim seated in his van. The suspect pointed his gun at the victim and demanded the keys to the van. Fearing for his safety the victim gave the keys to the suspect and exited his vehicle. The suspect then got into the van and fled the scene.

Through the course of the investigation, officers developed information that gave them cause to believe that the vehicle was located in Vallejo. Investigators contacted officers from the Vallejo Police Department who located the van, and the suspect, on the 200 block of Cadloni Lane. The suspect, identified as 39-year-old Gregory McDowell, was taken into custody without incident.

San Francisco Police officers responded to Vallejo and took custody of McDowell. McDowell was later transported to San Francisco County Jail and booked on the following charges: carjacking (215 PC), robbery (211 PC), aggravated kidnapping (209(b)(1) PC), felon in possession of a firearm (29800(a)(1) PC), felon in possession of ammunition (30305(a) PC), vehicle theft (10851(a) CVC), receiving stolen property (496(a) PC), possession of a stolen vehicle (496d(a) PC), and parole violation (3056 PC).

The SFPD would like to recognize the swift response and professionalism of the Vallejo Police Department in assisting with the investigation and arrest of the suspect.

While an arrest has been made this remains an open 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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