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SFPD Arrests Taraval District Assault Suspect 23-122

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On Wednesday, September 27, 2023, at approximately 1:42 p.m., San Francisco Police officers from Taraval District responded to the 100 block of West Portal Ave. regarding an assault in progress. The investigation determined that a male suspect assaulted a victim without provocation and caused her to fall to the sidewalk. A coworker of the victim ran to the aid of the assaulted victim and was also assaulted by the suspect as the suspect pushed her into a retail establishment. While inside the store the suspect assaulted an additional victim, an elderly female customer, which caused her to fall to the ground. During the assault, a worker at a nearby business witnessed the victims being attacked and ran to their aid. The witness held the suspect to prevent him from further assaulting the victims but was bitten by the suspect, which caused him to release his hold.

The suspect fled the store but was followed by witnesses and bystanders who stopped and detained the suspect. As officers arrived on scene, they observed the suspect who was being detained by citizens. Officers detained the suspect and developed probable cause to arrest him. The suspect, identified as 39-year-old Parmjit Janda, was transported to San Francisco County Jail where he was booked for 4 counts of assault likely to produce great bodily injury (245(a)(4) PC) and elder abuse (368(b)(1) PC).

Three victims were treated and released by medics at the scene and one victim was transported to the hospital by medics all for non-life-threatening injuries.

The SFPD is grateful for the quick actions of the individuals who intervened and helped detain the suspect until officers arrived on scene. Their actions prevented this suspect from escaping, and we commend them for their help in this incident.

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

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