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San Francisco Police Make Arrest in Tenderloin Carjacking 22-059

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On April 12, 2022, San Francisco Police Officers from Tenderloin Station responded to a call of a carjacking on the 700 block of O'Farrell Street. Upon arriving, officers met with the victim who stated that he was reversing his vehicle to park in the garage when he exited the vehicle to open the garage. He was then approached by two unknown suspects. The victim stated that one suspect got into the driver's seat while the other physically restrained him before getting into the front passenger seat. The suspects fled eastbound on O'Farrell Street.

On April 14, 2022, San Francisco Police Officers from Bayview Station spotted the stolen vehicle in the area of Ingalls Street and Oakdale Avenue and attempted to make a traffic stop. The vehicle fled westbound on Palou Avenue at a high rate of speed. Officers pursued the vehicle which collided with two parked, unoccupied vehicles in the area of Quesada Avenue and Keith Street. There were no injuries in this collision.

The suspect, later identified as Francis Faasavalu, 20, of San Francisco, attempted to flee on foot and was taken into custody.

Francis Faasavalu was arrested on charges of carjacking (215(a) PC), buying or receiving stolen property (496(d) PC), reckless evading of a peace officer (2800.2(a)

CVC), hit and run (20002(a) CVC), resisting arrest (148(a)(1) PC), driving without a license (12500(a) CVC), driving without insurance (16028(a) CVC), conspiracy (182(a) PC), failing to stop at a stop sign (22450(a) CVC), and speeding (22350 CVC).

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

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