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SFPD Arrest Attempted Homicide/Auto Burglary Suspects from Alamo Square Incident 18-020

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On February 1, 2018, San Francisco Police officers from Northern Station's Street Crimes Unit were assigned to an auto burglary operation around Alamo Square Park in an on-going effort to combat auto burglaries. At approximately 11:51 AM, a known auto burglary vehicle, described as a black four door Infiniti with paper plates and tinted windows, was seen in the area of Hayes and Pierce Streets.

A plainclothes officer saw that the suspect vehicle had three occupants as it pulled up to a parked victim vehicle, a black Toyota SUV. Officers then observed two subjects exit the suspect vehicle, peer inside, and subsequently smash the rear window to take items inside.

Officers identified themselves and moved in to make arrests. One suspect fled into the waiting vehicle with the stolen property. Officers attempted to take the remaining suspect (who was standing near the rear of the suspect vehicle) into custody, while also ordering the driver suspect to stop the car. As an officer was taking the remaining suspect into custody, the driver suspect put the vehicle into reverse and accelerated backwards, running over the accomplice and the officer.

The officers continued to give the driver verbal commands to stop. The driver ignored those commands, put the vehicle in drive, and drove forward, running over his accomplice and the officer a second time.

The suspect vehicle fled the scene and was involved in a traffic collision at Haight and Buchanan Streets. Officers were able to successfully take one suspect into custody on the 200 block of Haight Street, with the other suspect being captured on the 600 block of Buchanan.

The victim officer was taken to the hospital with non-life threatening injuries. The suspect who was run over by his accomplice, was transported to the hospital for injuries consistent with crushing type trauma.

The following suspects were arrested and taken to San Francisco County Jail. Due to pending identification matters, booking photos will not be released at this time.

Devonta Lofton, male, 25 years old, San Francisco resident, booked on felony charges of attempted homicide, assault with a deadly weapon, second degree burglary, reckless evading, hit and run causing injury, conspiracy, and misdemeanor driving with a suspended license.

Adrian Landers, male, 23 years old, San Francisco resident, booked on felony charges of attempted homicide, assault with a deadly weapon, second degree burglary, reckless evading, hit and run causing injury, conspiracy, a parole violation, and misdemeanor possession of burglary tools.

Jamon Butler, male, 19 years old, San Francisco resident, booked on felony charges of attempted homicide, assault with a deadly weapon, second degree burglary, reckless evading, hit and run causing injury and conspiracy.

"This incident is stark reminder of the dangers faced by SFPD officers on a daily basis. What began as a property crime turned quickly into a violent assault that could have had deadly consequences to our officers. The driver's actions also endangered the lives of the accomplice and the public at large," said Deputy Chief Michael Redmond. "The surveillance video accompanying this news release is an example of how unpredictable property crime suspects can be. Officers across the City are working to address property crimes that often occur very quickly and have a negative impact the quality of life of our residents and visitors."

While an arrest has been made, this remains an open and active investigation. Anyone with information is asked to contact the SFPD 24 Hour Tip Line at (415) 575-4444 or Text a Tip to TIP411. You may remain anonymous.

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