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Southern Station Officers Arrest Juveniles in SOMA Armed Robbery

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On March 3, 2017 at approximately 8:23 PM, San Francisco Police responded to an armed robbery at the 5th & Mission parking garage. The victim, a 24 year-old male, San Francisco resident was in a stairwell of the garage when the two suspects, both wearing ski masks and hoodies, approached him. One suspect pointed a gun at the victim and, at one point, threatened to shoot the victim as he pressed the gun against the victim's face. The suspects stole the victim's cell phone and wallet before fleeing on foot.

As SFPD units responded to meet the victim, other officers searched the area for the suspects. Two officers from Southern Station entered the Powell Street BART facility in an effort to locate the suspects. Upon reaching the BART platform, the officers saw two persons who matched the suspect description that had been provided by dispatchers from the Department of Emergency Management. The suspects were standing together and, as the officers attempted to detain them, they walked quickly away. After a brief struggle on a stairway, the officers were able to detain the suspects. It was at this point that the officers saw a handgun on the floor under the first suspect.

As the investigation continued, the victims' cellphone, wallet and other property were recovered from the second suspect. Ski masks and other evidence were also seized. The first suspect was later admitted to the Juvenile Justice Center on the following violations: robbery, conspiracy, resisting arrest, carrying a firearm in public while wearing a mask, carrying a concealed firearm, carrying a loaded firearm with the intent to commit a felony and possession of a handgun by a minor. The second suspect was also admitted to the Juvenile Justice Center and charged with: robbery, conspiracy, obstructing an executive officer by means of threats, force or violence and wearing a mask for the purpose of evading identification in the commission of a public offense. As the two suspects are juveniles, booking photos will not be released.

While arrests have been made, this remains an open investigation. Anyone with information is asked to call the SFPD Tip Line at (415) 575-4444, or Text a Tip to TIP411 and begin the text message with SFPD. You may remain anonymous.

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