SFPD Arrests Armed Robbery Suspect 22-042

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On March 18, 2022, at approximately 11:28 a.m., SFPD Officers from Mission Police Station responded to the 2200 Mission Street regarding a robbery of a business establishment. Upon arrival, officers met with the employees of the business. Officers interviewed multiple employees and learned that an attempted robbery with a gun had occurred. Employees stated to police that a male entered the business, pointed a firearm at multiple employees, and demanded employees to open the cash register. Employees were not able to open the cash register and the suspect fled the business. No injuries were reported during the robbery.

Officers canvassed the area for witnesses and evidence. Officers located surveillance cameras in the area that captured the incident. Upon reviewing footage, officers immediately recognized the suspect as 37-year-old San Francisco resident, Bruce Blanco, from prior incidents where he was arrested.

Investigators searched the area for the suspect and located Blanco on the 2200 Block of Mission Street. Blanco was placed under arrest without incident. During a subsequent search of Blanco, investigators located a loaded firearm on Blanco's person. It was later determined that the firearm used in the robbery was reported stolen.

Blanco was booked at San Francisco County Jail for attempted robbery (664/211 PC), two counts of assault with a firearm (245(a)(2) PC), felon in possession of a firearm (29800(a)(1) PC), carrying a concealed stolen firearm (25400(c)(2) PC), carrying a concealed firearm (25400(a)(1) PC), two counts of felon in possession of ammunition (30305(a)(1) PC), armed with a firearm during the commission of a (12022 (a)(1) PC), and a gun enhancement violation (12022.53(c)(4) PC).

A photo of the evidence seized is attached to this news release.

While an arrest has been made this remains an open investigation. Anyone with information is asked to call the SFPD Tip Line at <u>1-415-575-4444</u> or Text a Tip to <u>TIP411</u> and begin the text message with SFPD. You may remain anonymous.

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