San Francisco Police Arrest Mission Shooting Suspects 21-179

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On Wednesday, September 15, 2021, at approximately 4:58 p.m., San Francisco Police officers from Mission Station responded to the area of 21st and Folsom Streets for a report of a shooting. Officers arrived on scene and located a 43-year-old female victim suffering from a gunshot wound to the leg. The victim was later treated for non-life-threatening injuries. The victim said she was on the street taking photos when she was approached by two unknown male suspects. The suspects demanded the victim's camera, but she refused to give it to them. One suspect produced a gun and pointed it at her. The victim said she ran away and as she was running, she heard the sound of a gunshot and was struck in the leg by a bullet. The suspects got into a white SUV and fled the scene.

Investigators from the SPFD Robbery Detail took over the investigation and developed information that identified the shooter as 18-year-old Joseisac Lopez of San Francisco. Investigators identified 18-year-old Jeferson Hernandez of San Francisco as the second suspect involved in the incident.

On Thursday, September 16, 2021, Lopez was stopped by a San Bruno Police officer for an unrelated traffic offense. The San Bruno police officer contacted SFPD investigators who responded to the scene and took Lopez into custody. Lopez was later transported to San Francisco County Jail and booked on charges of attempted robbery (664/211 PC), assault with a firearm (245(b) PC), and being armed in the commission of a felony (12022(a)(1) PC).

Investigators from the SFPD Robbery Detail, Community Violence Response Team, and officers from Ingleside Station served a search warrant on Lopez's home on the 200 block of Guttenberg Street. Investigators located several items of evidence connecting Lopez to the 21st Street shooting.

On September 17, 2021, officers from Mission Station were patrol in the area of Potrero Avenue and 21st Street when they observed a vehicle that was wanted in the commission of a felony. Officers attempted a traffic stop on the vehicle using the equipped lights and sirens, however, the vehicle fled at a high rate of speed. While the vehicle was fleeing it collided with a bus and continued to flee. No injuries were reported from the collision. The vehicle continued to flee and ultimately evaded capture.

On September 22, 2021, Mission Station officers were in the area of 25th and Folsom Streets when they observed Jefferson. Jeferson was taken into custody without incident. Investigators developed information that identified Jeferson as the driver, and sole vehicle occupant, that fled from police on September 17, 2021.

Jeferson was later transported to San Francisco County Jail where he was booked on charges of attempted robbery (664/211 PC), being armed in the commission of a felony (12022(a)(1) PC), evading a police officer (2800.2(a) CVC), and hit and run (20002(a) PC).

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

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