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Culver City Police Department

Press Release

Jason Sims, Chief of Police

Sexual Assault Suspect Arrested by Culver City Police

Report Number: 23-6507

On December 2, 2023, at approximately 7:46 am, Culver City Police responded to a call for service of a sexual assault in the Blair Hills community of Culver City. Investigators learned that an adult male suspect entered a residence, committed a sexual assault on a juvenile, and then left the residence on foot. Culver City Police Officers immediately canvassed the surrounding area for witnesses, and additional evidence, and recovered video evidence showing the suspect leaving the area. Immediately, a search was conducted but the suspect was not located.

From the day that this crime occurred, Detectives have worked tirelessly to identify and locate the involved suspect. Yesterday, through DNA evidence, the suspect in this case was identified and quickly arrested on the I-5 Freeway after leaving a downtown Los Angeles hotel and boarding a bus headed toward Bakersfield, California. Thirty-five-year-old Marcos Maldonado was arrested for Aggravated Sexual Assault of a Child and booked at Culver City Police Department with a bail of 1.25 million dollars.

Throughout this investigation, we have worked in close partnership with the UCLA Santa Monica Rape Treatment Center and the Los Angeles District Attorney's Office, and we will continue to work in collaboration to present this case for filing and prosecution.

While we have no reports of additional crimes of this nature in the Culver City area, we are collaborating with other law enforcement agencies to identify any additional victims. We encourage anyone with information related to this case or other cases involving this suspect to immediately contact the Culver City Police Department.

For questions, please contact Culver City Police Department's Public Information Officer Jennifer Atenza at (310) 658-2891 or email jennifer.atenza@culvercity.org.



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