



SAN LEANDRO POLICE DEPARTMENT

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PRESS RELEASE UPDATE

DATE / TIME OF RELEASE: 01-20-12, 7:30AM **CRIME:** Attempted Murder

PRESS RELEASE OFFICER: Lt. Jeff Tudor **TELEPHONE:** (510) 577-3232

DATE / TIME OCCURRED: 01-18-12, 9:22 PM

LOCATION: 300 block of Aloha Dr, San Leandro, California

INVESTIGATING DETECTIVE(S): Det. Sgt. Henderson

SUSPECT(S): Matthew Nguyen, 25 year old, Oakland resident

DETAILS:

Arrest Made:

The San Leandro Police Department has arrested Matthew Nguyen for the attempted murder of a police officer after he used a firearm to shoot at a San Leandro Police Sergeant. Nguyen was taken into custody in the 1700 block Pinole Valley Rd, Pinole. The suspect vehicle was recovered in Oakland at 41st Ave at Mera St. Detectives were able to develop information that Nguyen was owner of the Acura and believe that he was shooter involved in the incident.

Lt. Tudor said “We are pleased to announce that an arrest was made in this case. The sergeant involved, the members of this agency and the community we serve are extremely fortunate that the he (sergeant) did not sustain any injures. I would like to personally thank all the hard working men woman in the San Leandro Police Department and outside agencies who worked on this case. As police officers we are aware of the dangers we face each and every time we wear the badge and we wear it ever so proudly during times where we need to unite together as one to arrest a violent individual who tried to take a life of an officer.

On 01-18-12 approximately 9:22 PM, undercover San Leandro Police Detectives were in the area of Anza way and Aloha Dr., conducting surveillance for a narcotics investigation. Officers observed a suspicious vehicle described as a dark colored Acura driving in the area. A San Leandro Police Detective Sergeant attempted to follow the car in his undercover vehicle. While driving in the 300 block of Aloha Dr. the suspect vehicle made a u-turn and drove directly towards the sergeant. As the suspect vehicle drove past the sergeant the driver of the suspect vehicle rolled down his window and shot multiple rounds at the sergeant from a distance of approximately six feet. The rounds struck the sergeants vehicle and he did not sustain any injuries. The sergeant pursued the suspect vehicle through city streets, on to south bound 880, to highway 238 and into Castro Valley. The

suspect drove onto eastbound 580 and drove at speeds over 100mph. The suspect was able to elude capture and was last seen by law enforcement on west bound 580 near highway 13.

There is no suspect information at this time. Detectives are actively working this investigation at this time.

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