MONTEREY POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Attempted Bank Robbery in Monterey

On August 12, 2011 at approximately 9:46 AM, Monterey Police officers were dispatched to the Santa Barbara Bank and Trust, 495 Washington, on the report of an armed robbery that had just occurred.

Two suspects had entered the bank and demanded money but were unsuccessful. Just prior to leaving, one of the suspects, armed with a semi-automatic pistol, fired shots into the ceiling and at a window. None were reportedly aimed at any persons. The suspects fled the bank on foot southbound across Pearl and into an alley. Witnesses lost sight of them at that point.

Trinity High School and San Carlos School were temporarily placed on lockdown as a precaution while Monterey police officers looked for the suspects.

The suspects were described as Hispanic males wearing all black clothing. Each wore gloves, a hooded sweatshirt over their heads, and had what appeared to be black bandanas across their face.

The Police Department is seeking information from anyone who was in the area of the bank before or after the robbery who may have seen the suspects. Anyone with information is asked to call the Monterey Police Department's Investigations Division at 831-646-3809 or the confidential tip line at 831-646-3840.

Questions regarding this release can be directed to Deputy Chief Philip J. Penko 831-646-3805 or penko@ci.monterey.ca.us.

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