



## SAN MATEO POLICE DEPARTMENT

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### **MEDIA RELEASE / COMMUNITY ALERT**

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#### **HELP SMPD identify a sexual assault suspect**

*The San Mateo Police Department is asking for your help with identifying a sexual assault suspect who accosted a woman as she was walking to her car.*

San Mateo, CA - On Monday, May 20, 2019, San Mateo Police Department officers were called to a report of a sexual battery that occurred outside of Bank of America located at 300 S El Camino Real. The suspect sexually assaulted a woman after accosting her in the parking lot.

The San Mateo Police Department continues to investigate this sexual assault and is seeking to identify the suspect seen on the [attached video](#). Anyone with information is urged to contact police immediately.

#### **WANTED FOR QUESTIONING**

Male, Latino, approximately 5'-4", 120 pounds, with dark curly hair that extended below his hat, and a medium complexion. He was wearing a dark colored baseball cap with a white logo on it, dark colored jacket/hoody, and dark jeans. He was also carrying a dark backpack with a white logo on it.

#### **VIDEO SURVEILLANCE**

[Click here to review video surveillance and images of the suspect.](#)

#### **TIPS ON WALKING AROUND**

As SMPD tackles this case, we ask our community to safeguard themselves with these tips:

- Be alert to your surroundings and the people around you.
- Whenever possible, travel in pairs.
- Stay in well lit, public areas as much as possible.
- Do not respond to conversation from strangers on the street.
- If you carry a purse, hold it securely between your arm and body, or across your person. Keep it zipped closed.
- Limit cell phone use when walking. It is a distraction to you and your surroundings.

#### **CONTACT POLICE WITH INFORMATION**

Anyone with information on the identity of the videoed suspect is asked to contact Detective Nick Morsilli at (650) 522-7670 or by email at [nmorsilli@cityofsanmateo.org](mailto:nmorsilli@cityofsanmateo.org). Anonymous tips can be submitted to <http://tinyurl.com/SMPDTips> or by calling (650) 522-7676.

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