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RICHMOND POLICE CASE 2025-891

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(Richmond, California) – On Tuesday, January 28, 2025, at around 3:00 PM, a Richmond PD sergeant was flagged down by someone who wanted to report a possible sexual assault. The person provided information about a juvenile who was possibly the victim of a sexual assault. Officers immediately launched an investigation. They determined the possible victim was currently with the alleged suspect. They also determined the suspect and victim were alone and unsupervised.

Officers immediately responded to the victim's location. Upon knocking on the residence door, a male subject clad in only a bath towel answered. Officers quickly located the victim inside the residence and found out that the suspect was the male who answered the door. Officers learned through the subsequent investigation that the suspect had been in the act of sexually assaulting the juvenile when officers arrived on the scene. Officers knocking on the door forced the suspect to end the sexual assault.

Although we wish we would have arrived in time to prevent the sexual assault, we are glad we arrived in time to prevent the assault from continuing and to rescue this juvenile victim from their assailant.

Special Victims Unit Detectives immediately responded to assume the investigation. Detectives worked with the Contra Costa District Attorney's Office to ensure the suspect remained in police custody and that charges were filed.

On January 30, 2025, the Contra Costa District Attorney's Office filed a 16-count felony complaint against the suspect, Marlon Alexander Maravilla Martinez, a 22-year-old resident of Richmond. He remains in custody with a \$7,000,000.00 bail. All sixteen counts relate to lewd and sexual acts on a child who is ten years old or younger.

The victim is now safe with her family and receiving the help and resources she needs.