



CHICO POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

530-897-4941

Type of Incident: Sexual Assault/Vehicle theft
Case no: 12-0591
Date/Time of report: 1/26/2012 0845 hrs
Location: 1100 block of N. Cedar Ave
Victim: Female, early 20's. CSUC Student.
Suspect: Unidentified male

Case summary:

On 1/26/2012 at 0845 hrs, Chico Police were contacted by CSUC Police regarding a woman who had come to the University Police Department to report a sexual assault which had occurred in the city jurisdiction.

The victim reported the following: Late last night and early this morning, the victim and a female friend had been at a downtown bar celebrating a birthday. During the evening, the women met and befriended a male subject who they'd never met before. As the evening progressed, the women became very intoxicated. They decided to walk home. The male subject offered to drive the victim and her friend home in the victim's car. The victim agreed and the three of them drove to an address on N. Cedar where the victim resides. The victim allowed the unknown male to sleep on the couch. The victim went to sleep in her bedroom and the victim's female friend went to sleep in another room.

Sometime in the early morning hours, the victim awoke to the suspect sexually assaulting her. The victim pushed the suspect away and fell back asleep.

Later, when the victim realized what had happened, she got up to discover the unknown male was gone. Also missing were some of her personal property and her 1998 GMC Jimmy (SUV) Ca. License plate 5UHB412.

The scene has been processed for evidence and Police are investigating. Police have no description of the suspect other than that of a younger black male adult. Anyone with information about this case is asked to contact the Chico Police Department at 897-4911. There is no indication that this case is related to the incident in the 400 block of E. 4th Street which occurred on 1/25/12.

****For media inquiries, please contact Sgt. Rob Merrifield at 897-4941 or the on duty Sergeant.*

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Supervisor:

Watch Commander:

Prepared By: Sgt. Rob Merrifield

Date/Time: 1/26/2012 1415 hrs