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Pleasanton Police Investigating Sexual Assault / Impersonation of a Police Officer

SUSPECT DESCRIPTION

ETHNICITY: White

HEIGHT: 5' 10" to 6'

WEIGHT: 185

AGE: Late 20's early 30's

BUILD: Medium build muscular

HAIR: Dark brown or black

CLOTHING: Dark colored button down shirt with no police insignia, dark-colored police style hat with patent leather brim and no police insignia.

The Pleasanton Police Department and allied agencies are seeking the public's assistance in identifying the suspect in a sexual assault and impersonation of a police officer. This incident was reported to police several weeks after it occurred.

On August 5, 2012 at approximately 3:00 a.m. a female was driving on Valley Avenue at Bernal Avenue when she heard what sounded like the chirp of a siren. After seeing a flash of light coming from the vehicle behind her, the driver believed she was being stopped by a law enforcement officer. She pulled over in a secluded area to the side of the road on Valley Ave south of Bernal Ave.

The male approached the driver's side door and showed the victim a star shaped badge in his hand. He ordered the victim out of her vehicle and handcuffed her. She was then placed in the back seat of the suspect's vehicle and driven a short distance away, to an unknown secluded dirt or gravel road, where she was sexually assaulted by the suspect in his vehicle. The suspect left the victim at the scene of the crime and drove away in his vehicle. The victim walked back to her vehicle and drove home.

The victim did not sustain any life threatening injuries.

The victim describes the suspect vehicle as a dark four door sedan unknown make/model.

The Pleasanton Police Department would like to offer the following safety tips:

- 1) Law enforcement officers are required to have a solid, steady, front-facing, red light when they are conducting a traffic stop. You are not required by law to stop if you do not see a solid red light.
- 2) If you are being pulled over, slow down, put on your blinker and drive to a well lit and populated area before you stop.
- 3) Call 911 if you are concerned about the legitimacy of the traffic stop. The 911 dispatcher can confirm whether the traffic stop is legitimate or will send officers to investigate.

Anyone with information about this incident or the identity of the suspect is urged to contact the Pleasanton Police Department at (925) 931-5100.

Composite sketch of the suspect is attached.