

Campus Crime Alert Bulletin

Crime(s):	664/207 PC Attempted Kidnapping
Date:	October 1, 2019
Location:	3800 Block San Jose Avenue, Merced, CA
Case #:	Merced Police Department (19-58720)
Suspect(s):	Unknown
Vehicle:	White Toyota 4-door sedan (1995-2000s model) with dull paint and scratches

Incident(s):

On October 1, 2019 at approximately 1:41 p.m., an adult female was walking in the 3800 block of San Jose Avenue. She observed three Hispanic males wearing black ski masks sitting in the vehicle (white Toyota 4-door sedan) parked facing southbound. The suspects reportedly spoke Spanish.

One suspect approached the female and covered her face some type of material. The second suspect picked up her feet. Together they moved the female toward their vehicle. The back door was open. The female physically fought the suspects and was able to escape. The suspects fled southbound on San Jose Avenue toward Yosemite Avenue. There is no further description of the suspects and there have been no other similar calls reported to the UC Merced Police Department or the City of Merced Police Department.

Safety Tips:

• Make sure that someone knows you're going out, who you will be with and when you expect to return.

- If you feel uncomfortable about a person or a situation, try to remove yourself as quickly as possible from the situation and call law enforcement if necessary.
- If you're out for a walk, take paths that are commonly used by others and have your cell phone with you in case you need help.
- Safety escorts are available at UC Merced locations by calling Police Dispatch 209-228-2677 to request a safety escort. Police staff will respond to your location and provide you with a safety escort.

Report all suspicious persons and activity or information regarding this case to the City of Merced Police Department at (209-385-6905) or the

UC Merced Police Department immediately at CAT-COPS (209-228-2677)

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Cell Phones: 9-1-1

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