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Attempted Kidnapping

Riverside, CA - On Wednesday, March 21, 2012, at approximately 7:30 AM, a 15 year-old female was walking to school in the area of Phoenix Avenue and Ensenada Way in the Central Neighborhood of Riverside, when a van pulled in front of her and blocked her path. Two occupants of the van jumped out and grabbed the female and pulled her into the van. The female fought back and was able to escape. As the victim fled to safety the suspects were last seen driving northbound on Phoenix Avenue towards Central Avenue.

There are three suspects described as male Hispanics between the ages of thirty and forty. One suspect is approximately 5'08" tall, thick build, clean shaven with dark hair. He has a scar that extends from his lower lip to the left of his chin. He was last seen wearing a red short sleeve t-shirt and medium blue pants. Another suspect is described as having dark hair with unshaven facial hair. The suspects spoke both English and Spanish.

The suspect vehicle is an unknown make, older, full-size van, described as navy blue with faded paint spots on the passenger side. The vehicle has tinted windows on the back doors and no side windows or doors.

Anyone with information about this incident is asked to contact Detective Rita Cobb at (951) 353-7120.



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