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Jewelry dealer survives robbery shooting

Riverside, CA – A 41-year-old Riverside man is recovering in a local hospital after being shot several times during a robbery near his home. Police are seeking two male Hispanic suspects, still at large.

Riverside 911 Emergency Communications Center received reports of shots fired in the 10300-block of Novato Way, in southwest Riverside, at 7:50 p.m., Thursday, November 20, 2008. Responding Riverside Police officers located a male subject with several gunshot wounds in front of a residence. Investigators learned the man owned a pair of jewelry stores, in Riverside and Corona. The victim drove home and was confronted by two suspects, who robbed the victim of a quantity of gold jewelry.

The victim was shot four times before the suspects fled in a previously-stolen vehicle. The victim was transported to a local hospital and treated for his injuries.

Riverside Police later discovered the abandoned getaway vehicle, together with some dropped stolen jewelry items, about a mile away near the intersection of Batavia Way and Mandalay Court. A K9 officer team discovered a discarded handgun in a nearby community park. Investigation continues.

Anyone with information helpful to this investigation is asked to contact Riverside Police Detective Mike Medici at (951) 353-7104.

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