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## **Riverside Sexual Assault Suspect Arrested in Virginia Beach**

The Riverside Police Department METRO/SWAT Team conducted an investigation into a suspect (Anderson, George Allen) who sexually assaulted a 17-year-old female in late 2015. Following the crime, the suspect immediately fled California to avoid prosecution. A RPD METRO/SWAT officer was assigned to locate and arrest the suspect. After a lengthy investigation the suspect was tracked to Virginia Beach, VA.

The Riverside Police Department notified the U.S. Marshalls Service of the suspect's location in Virginia Beach. A U.S. Marshall's team arrested the suspect on March 24, 2016. The suspect is currently awaiting extradition to Riverside County where he will face criminal charges for sexual assault. "This is a great example of the tenacious investigative work officers at the Riverside Police Department conduct to ensure criminals are held to answer for their crimes."

Members of the Riverside Police Departments METRO/SWAT Team have been deputized as U.S. Marshalls. Their primary mission is to provide service to the City of Riverside. The close working relationship between the Riverside Police Department and the U.S. Marshalls enhances criminal investigative abilities. This allows for the quick apprehension of suspects who have fled the city, county, or state. It also helps to quickly locate and arrest criminals who seek out the City of Riverside as a safe haven.

