



Beaverton Police Department

4755 S.W. Griffith Drive
Beaverton, Oregon 97005

Chief Ronda Groshong



NEWS RELEASE

Officer Matt Henderson
Public Information Officer
(503) 969-6502

Released: December 19, 2019
Case No: 19-3520424

ROBBERY/HOMICIDE UPDATE

Yesterday, December 18, 2019 at 10:58 A.M., 20-year-old Salvador Martinez-Romero from Hubbard, Oregon, armed with a knife, robbed the Wells Fargo Bank located in the Murray Hill Shopping Center at 14725 S.W. Teal Blvd. in Beaverton, Oregon.

During the robbery, 72-year-old Janet Risch of Beaverton was killed and 53-year-old Debra Thompson of Beaverton was critically injured. Upon exiting the Wells Fargo bank, Mr. Martinez-Romero, still armed with a knife, confronted 26-year-old Ian Day in the parking lot of the Planet Fitness, located at 14755 S.W. Teal Blvd. Mr. Martinez-Romero stole Mr. Day's vehicle, injuring Mr. Day in the process.

Mr. Martinez-Romero then drove Mr. Day's vehicle south into Tigard, Oregon where he confronted 50-year-old Martha Bashir in a residential neighborhood near SW Walnut St. in Tigard, Oregon. Mr. Martinez-Romero stole Ms. Bashir's vehicle, also injuring her in the process.

Mr. Martinez-Romero drove Ms. Bashir's vehicle to the 11700 block of Hwy 99 in Tigard, Oregon. He ran on foot from the area and was apprehended by police officers from the Beaverton Police Department, Washington County Sheriff's Office and Tigard Police Department.

53-year-old Debra Thompson is in critical, but stable condition at a local hospital. 26-year-old Ian Day and 50-year-old Martha Bashir were taken by ambulance to local hospitals where they were treated and released. 72-year-old Janet Risch was pronounced dead at the scene.

The Washington County Major Crimes Team is still investigating this case. Mr. Martinez-Romero was lodged at the Washington County Jail for Murder, Attempted Murder, and two counts of Robbery in the First Degree. He is scheduled to appear in court today at 3:00 P.M. at the Washington County Law Enforcement Center in Hillsboro, Oregon.

Below is a booking photograph taken on December 18, 2019 of Mr. Martinez-Romero from the Washington County Sheriff's Office.



##BPD##

