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Subject : **Armed Robber Absconds with Purse**

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Palo Alto, CA -- Police responded to Hanover St. near Porter Drive today at 12:37 p.m., on the report of an armed robbery. The victim was a 25 year old female who was walking between buildings in the Stanford Business Park when a lone gunman approached her, displayed a handgun and demanded her purse. After obtaining her purse and all its contents, the robber was last seen walking eastbound on Hanover, over a crest in the hill.

He was described as an Hispanic male, approximately 25 years old, with brown hair worn in a crew-cut. He is approximately 5'10" tall and weighs about 230 pounds. He wore black denim shorts, a black jacket with a San Jose Sharks logo and white crew socks stretched almost to his knees. He wore a thick gold chain on his neck and had a tattoo on the back of his neck.

After there was a delay in summoning police, numerous officers and detectives scoured the area, but were unable to locate the suspect.

Anyone with any information about this incident is asked to call our tip line at 650-329-2190.

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