Suspect Arrested for Armed Robbery and Assault

Tacoma, Wash. - On February 18, 2022, at 4:40 p.m., South Sound 911 received reports of a robbery in the 3300 block of S. Cushman, in which one of the victims had been shot. Officers responded and found a 39-year-old male victim with a gunshot wound to the abdomen. A second victim, a 39-year-old female, had not been injured. Officers immediately started life-saving measures and the male was transported to a local hospital.

The victims were able to tell officers they had arranged to meet the suspect through a social media app to buy a gaming console. When they were contacted by the supposed seller, the male suspect pointed a gun at them and demanded their money. The male victim attempted to flee on foot but was chased down by the suspect, who shot him once and took his wallet containing cash and identification.

The male victim is recovering from his injuries.

Through their investigations, detectives were able to identify a 17-year-old male suspect in this crime, and arrested him without incident in Tacoma on Friday, March 4.

Today, the Pierce County Prosecutor’s Office charged the 17-year-old male suspect with two counts of Assault in the First Degree and one count of Robbery in the First Degree.