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### **Sexual Assault Suspect Arrested After Tip from Community Member**

Tacoma, Wash. – On January 3, 2023, officers took a report from a 17-year-old female who was followed by an adult male while she was walking to school in the 3700 block of Park Ave. When the suspect caught up to her, he grabbed the victim's buttocks from behind.

Detectives recovered surveillance video of the suspect and put out a Crime Stoppers bulletin asking for the public's help in identifying the suspect.

Detectives were provided a tip from a community member identifying the suspect.

Today, detectives arrested the suspect at a residence in Tacoma.

The suspect is a 45-year-old male who is a Level III Sex Offender. The suspect was arrested for Indecent Liberties and Failure to Register as a Sex Offender.

Detectives are looking into similar incidents the suspect is believed to be responsible for.

The investigation is ongoing.

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