



## **Vacaville Police Department**

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## *Press Release*

**Today's Date:** 1/31/14  
**Date & Time Occurred:** 1/30/14 at 11:52 p.m.  
**Submitted By:** Lieutenant John Carli  
**Phone:** 707-449-5200  
**Case Number:** 2014-0785  
**Type of Crime/Incident:** 245(c) PC – Assault with a deadly weapon (against a police officer), Officer-Involved-Shooting.  
**Location:** Leisure Town Road at Walnut Road  
**Suspects:** S- Antonio Lopez Vasquez, DOB 5-23-1988  
25-year-old Vacaville resident

### **Narrative:**

On January 30, 2014, at 11:52 p.m., an Officer and a Sergeant from the Vacaville Police Department conducted a traffic stop for a Vehicle Code violation on Walnut Road off of Leisure Town Road in the City of Vacaville. While the officers conducted the traffic stop, an unrelated vehicle travelling recklessly at a high rate of speed, headed south on Orange Drive after leaving the Hideaway Saloon. The occupants of this vehicle had caused a disturbance and damage inside the bar and were told to leave. The vehicle was "blacked out" having its headlights turned off and drove off of the roadway, through several hundred feet of an open field, heading directly at the officers and the occupied vehicle that had been pulled over.

This second vehicle, a silver Honda, intentionally veered toward the officers who were out of their marked patrol vehicle. While fearing for their lives and attempting to move away from the path of the speeding vehicle, the officers discharged their firearms in an effort to stop the car from continuing in their direction. As it approached their location, the car collided with a large PG&E high voltage utility box, which was launched against the car that had originally been stopped by the officers. The wanton vehicle also struck one of the police cars as it left the field and re-entered the roadway.

The suspect's vehicle came to rest in the middle of Leisure Town Road. The officers narrowly avoided injury as a result of this incident and were able to safely extract the occupants of the uninvolved vehicle to a nearby location while other responding officers helped to secure the scene. The occupants of the Honda were detained after a high risk stop. The driver, identified as S-Antonio Vasquez, was intoxicated but uninjured and placed under arrest.



The suspect's vehicle contained two additional passengers, with one passenger sustaining a single, non-life-threatening gunshot wound to the leg. The injured man in his twenties was transported to a local hospital by ambulance for treatment.

(S) Vasquez was transported and booked into the Solano County Jail on charges of Assault with a Deadly Weapon (vehicle) directed at police officers. Investigators from the Vacaville Police Department and the Solano County District Attorney's office have begun conducting the investigation into what led up to these events and the motive behind the potentially deadly assault. The officers have been placed on administrative leave, which is standard procedure.

The investigation is ongoing at this time. The Vacaville Police Department requests anyone who witnessed this incident or has knowledge that may help in this investigation contact Detective Adam Senf at 449-5245.