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NEWS RELEASE: Three Suspects Arrested After Organized Retail Theft

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WCPD Case Number: 21-30233

Arrested: Dana Dawson, 30, San Francisco (Gun charges)
Joshua Underwood, 32, San Francisco
Rodney Robinson, 18, Oakland

Charge: 211 PC Robbery, 459 PC Burglary, 182 PC Conspiracy, 496 PC Possession of stolen property, 29800(a)(1) PC Illegal possession of firearm by felon, 25400 PC carrying a concealed weapon.

Three people are under arrest today following an organized theft at the Broadway Plaza Nordstrom in Walnut Creek last night. Police are investigating what was clearly a planned event, with the initial calls coming into the department about cars driving recklessly in the area shortly before 9:00 p.m. Nordstrom employees began calling 911 when approximately 80 people entered the store and immediately began stealing merchandise.

Two employees were assaulted and one was pepper sprayed by the suspects. Officers arrived on the scene quickly, stopping one of the cars and arresting two people, one of whom was in possession of a firearm. Another person was arrested nearby a short time later in possession of stolen Nordstrom property. The remaining participants in this criminal mob fled from the area in cars at high speeds.

Walnut Creek Police investigators are in the process of reviewing surveillance footage to attempt to identify other suspects responsible for this brazen act. If anyone has information regarding this incident, please contact Detective Deng at deng@walnutcreekpd.com.

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