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LA MESA BANK ROBBERY SUSPECT ARRESTED

On January 4th, 2022, at approximately 10:00 AM, the La Mesa Police Department received a 9-1-1 call of a robbery that had just occurred at the Bank of the West, located at 8690 Center Drive in La Mesa. The suspect entered the bank and demanded money from several bank tellers, while simulating that he had a firearm. After the tellers complied with the suspect's demand, he left the bank on foot. He was last seen walking toward Grossmont Center Mall.

La Mesa Police Officers arrived and began searching the area. Several witnesses directed the officers toward the Target store located in the mall. Officers spotted a subject matching the description provided by witnesses. The subject fled on foot and officers took him into custody near the Chuze Fitness after a brief foot pursuit. The suspect was identified as 36-year-old Asim Daniels, a resident of Brawley, CA. The money taken during the robbery was recovered.

Detectives from the La Mesa Police Department's Investigations Unit, in partnership with Agents from the FBI, are handling this investigation. The investigation is ongoing at this time. Daniels was booked at County Jail for one count of 211 PC—Robbery.

If you have any information on this case, please call the La Mesa Police Department at (619) 667-1400. You may also call Crime Stoppers' anonymous toll-free tip line (888) 580-TIPS (or www.sdcrimestoppers.com). You can remain anonymous, and be eligible for a reward of up to \$1,000 for information leading to an arrest in this case.

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