



San Diego County SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

NEWS RELEASE INFORMATION SHEET

Subject: Attempted Murder - City of Poway

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SYNOPSIS:

On April 9, 2018, at about 2:30 p.m., deputies from the Poway Sheriff's Station responded to the 16900 block of Old Coach Road, in the City of Poway. It had been reported that while a tow truck driver was repossessing a vehicle, a man armed with a shotgun confronted the tow truck driver. As the driver tried to leave with the repossessed vehicle, the man discharged the shotgun at him.

Due to a quick response time by Poway deputies, the tow truck operator and the suspect were still on the property when deputies arrived. Responding deputies subsequently identified the man who fired the shotgun as Joseph Silva (10/10/71). Deputies took Silva into custody at the scene and recovered the shotgun. Deputies booked Silva into jail for attempted murder and several other felony charges, including firearms offenses and drug possession. Silva, a Poway resident, is being held with no bail.

Silva's companion, Bonnie Baker (09/09/89), was present during the altercation. Detectives arrested Baker on April 11, 2018 for several felony charges related to the original incident. Deputies booked Baker into jail.

Fortunately, no one was injured during the incident. Poway Detectives handled the investigation and submitted the case to the District Attorney for prosecution.