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**Public Information Release**

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Case #12-2599

**SEXUAL ASSAULT**

On March 21, 2012, at about 5:20 a.m., a female came into the Meriden police station to complaint that she had just been raped. The female was very distraught and her clothes were disheveled.

The victim indicated that she had been walking downtown after leaving a friend's house and met an unknown male that began to walk with her. When the two reached the area of Lincoln St. and Foster St., the male forced her into a backyard and sexually assaulted her.

The female was able to get away while the male was distracted. She flagged down a passing motorist who drove her to the police station. She was then transported to the hospital for medical treatment.

The suspect was described as a dark-skinned male wearing all black clothing. Detectives in the Special Crimes Unit are actively working the case, developing additional leads.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call Det. Jose Rivera (203-630-6265) or Det. Sgt. Rob Nesci (203-630-6234).