22-year-old New Bedford man arrested in Thursday stabbing incident

On May 14, New Bedford police officers arrested a 22-year old man after they report witnessing him violently stab a man near 83 Washington Street.

Detectives noticed a man exit a stopped vehicle in the roadway and approach a man on the sidewalk. The suspect then returned to his vehicle and fled while detectives approached the scene. They discover the victim with bleeding wounds in his abdomen, alerting officers that a weapon was most used. The victim was transported to the hospital.

Soon after, the vehicle was located and stopped by detectives near Hall and Rivet streets. The driver, 22-year old Taurus Lamar Veal, Jr. of New Bedford, was arrested and later charged for assault and battery with a dangerous weapon.

Chief Joseph Cordeiro commended all Officers involved for their exceptional teamwork and quickly making an arrest. "Together, our officers reacted with speed and professionalism as they responded to the victim and quickly located the suspect's vehicle before making the arrest."

If you have any information on criminal activity in your community, the New Bedford Police Dept. wants to hear from you. You can leave an anonymous tip on our voicemail at (508) 991-6300 Ext. 1.