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SUSPECT ARRESTED FOR AGGRAVATED ASSAULT AND KIDNAPPING

WHO: Steven Robert Moniz (Arrested)
DOB: 9-21-66
Clearwater, Fla.

Paula Price (Victim)
DOB: 3-11-69
Transient

WHAT: Charges: Aggravated Assault/Kidnapping
Seized/Vehicle: 2006 White Ford Econoline Van

WHERE: Incident: 1345 Park Street, Clearwater
Suspect located: 800 Druid Road, Clearwater

WHEN: Incident: November 15, 2011 @ 5:15 a.m.
Suspect Arrested: November 16, 2011

SUMMARY: On November 15 at 5:15 a.m., the suspect picked up the victim for the purpose of a sex act. He drove the listed vehicle to the rear parking lot of the Soup Kitchen at 1345 Park Street. They moved from the front seat to the rear compartment area to carry out the sex act when the suspect produced a knife and attempted to stab the victim. She was able to jump out of the van after kicking him. The suspect told the victim that he was going to kill her during this offense. The suspect fled area in the above listed vehicle.

With a detailed description of the van, Clearwater Police conducted surveillance in an effort to locate it. This morning at 4:15 a.m., Clearwater Police located the vehicle in the parking lot of 800 Druid Road (Rhodes Funeral Home) and made contact with the suspect.





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Through the course of the investigation, detectives were able to identify the suspect, Steven Moniz. They also recovered the weapon used inside the van. Moniz was arrested and transported to the Pinellas County Jail for aggravated assault and kidnapping.

