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Sheriff seeks public's help in finding man who held infant as he shot Detroit bus rider

Wayne County Sheriff Warren Evans is seeking the public's help in identifying and locating a man who held a baby in his arm while he shot another man in the stomach last weekend on a Detroit Department of Transportation Bus. Evans released sketches today of the suspect and his female companion, likely the child's mother, who also fled the scene.

At about 3PM last Sunday, officers assigned to patrol DDOT buses and routes were dispatched to Warren Avenue just east of Woodward where the shooting had just taken place. According to the victim and witnesses, the victim had gotten into an altercation with the female accomplice while on the bus. When the suspect and the woman exited the bus, the suspect came back onto the bus with his child in his arm, pulled a handgun from his waistband and fired one shot into the 37-year-old victim's abdomen. At the time of the shooting witnesses estimated that there were approximately 40 passengers on the bus.

After he shot the victim, the suspect allegedly set the baby down in some grass near the scene and fled northbound on Woodward. According to witnesses, the female then picked up the child and also fled the scene on foot. The victim was taken to Detroit Receiving Hospital and is expected to recover.

"It is incredible enough that a person would shoot another over a minor altercation, but for someone to be holding a baby while firing the gun is absolutely mind boggling," Evans said. "If a person is capable of doing that, I have great concern for the day-to-day welfare for that child and anyone this man comes into contact with. I am hopeful that these sketches will generate some good tips."

Evans said he hopes that when people see the sketches of this couple, combined with the knowledge that they have a young child, they will be able to help identify the suspects and contact the Sheriff's Office with tips.

Anyone with tips can call them in anonymously CrimeStoppers at 1-800-SPEAK-UP.