



**SAN MATEO COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE**  
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## NEWS RELEASE

**Incident Date:** Thursday, December 23, 2021, at approximately 5:58 am

**Location:** Hillcrest Boulevard and Hemlock Avenue, Millbrae

**Type of Crime/Incident:**

### **TWO FATALITIES IN MILLBRAE AFTER CARS TRAPPED IN FLOODED ROADWAY**

**Summary:**

At approximately 5:58 A.M., the San Mateo County Sheriff's Office received reports of a vehicle trapped in floodwaters near the intersection of E. Hillcrest Boulevard and Hemlock Avenue, in the City of Millbrae.

The flooded area was in a depressed section of roadway beneath a Caltrain overpass. According to initial reports, a witness saw two people standing on the roof of their vehicle in the rising floodwaters. First responders arrived and were able to rescue them from their vehicle. While doing so, first responders located a second fully submerged vehicle. First responders attempted to gain access to the secondary vehicle and during the attempted rescue, the conditions became too dangerous for first responders, as the floodwaters were rising rapidly.

As the water receded, the Sheriff's Office was able to determine that there were two people deceased in the secondary vehicle. The names and other information about the victims have not been released pending notification of family.



For further information, contact the City of Millbrae Public Information Officer 650-259-2417

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