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Woman arrested after giving birth and abandoning the baby in restaurant restroom

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This morning at 0834 hours, a 9-1-1 call was received by the West Covina Police Department Communications Center regarding a baby who was found in the restroom of the Subway Restaurant located at 2540 S. Azusa Avenue, West Covina. The caller also stated that a woman who had just exited that restroom was seen bleeding and she headed toward the front doors.

Employees from the restaurant heard a baby crying as they entered the restroom. An umbilical cord was seen hanging out from the toilet and the newborn baby boy was found partially submerged in the toilet water. The West Covina Fire Department responded and treated the baby and transported him to the Neonatal Unit of Queen of the Valley Hospital in West Covina and is currently in critical condition.

During the investigation, West Covina Police Officers noted a blood trail that led them to the area behind the Pep Boys Auto located at 1540 E. Amar Road. Officers located the suspect in the alleyway behind the store and arrested her.

The suspect is identified as Mary Grace Trinidad, 38 of West Covina. Due to the suspect's medical state, she was transported to a local hospital for treatment. Following her release, she will be booked for Attempted Murder and Child Abandonment. Bail will be set at \$2 million dollars. The suspect also had a \$30,000.00 narcotics related warrant outstanding for her arrest.

The recording of the 9-1-1 call is available for release to the media upon request. Contact Corporal Rudy Lopez at rudy.lopez@wcpd.org.

News Release issued by Rudy Lopez, PIO. For more information, call 626 939-8685 or 626 523-4031 (cell).

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