

## SJ police officer charged - sexual photos of minor

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**(07-11) 20:56 PDT SAN JOSE** -- A San Jose police detective assigned to investigate sexual assaults was arrested Thursday evening on charges that he requested and possessed sexually explicit photos of a teenage girl, authorities said.

Anthony "Tony" Fregger, an eight-year department veteran, surrendered after being charged by Santa Clara County prosecutors with possession of sexually explicit photos of a minor and communicating with a minor for the purpose of obtaining sexually explicit photos, both felonies.

Fregger, 33, was assigned to the sexual assaults investigation unit from 2010 until March 2013. He has been placed on administrative leave.

Authorities said Fregger first contacted the girl via the Internet in 2010. In 2011, she sent him a Facebook message saying that she was 17 and that her birthday was approaching, when in reality she was 16, investigators said.

Fregger sent a reply message that said, "You' 17!? Oh man, I thought u were like 21! Lol," San Jose police internal affairs Sgt. Johnson Fong wrote in an affidavit filed in Superior Court.

Despite acknowledging that the girl was a minor, Fregger requested and received sexually explicit photos of the girl in January and February 2011, authorities said.

Investigators seized Fregger's personal computer earlier this year and found the photos in a folder designated under her name, authorities said.

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