ARRESTS: UCPD Officers Make Arrests - iPhone Taken from a Victim Sitting inside the University Village Starbucks (1201 University Avenue) Near Campus

UCPD Officers Arrest Two Suspects for Series of Robberies

On Sunday, April 14, 2013, at about 11:40am, UCPD Officers saw a tan Lexus ES300 in the area of Canyon Crest Dr. and University Ave. that was listed as a vehicle wanted by the San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department. The officers stopped the vehicle at University Ave. near Chicago Ave. and confirmed that the driver had an outstanding felony warrant for robbery. It was later determined that both the driver and passenger were suspects in a series of Starbucks Coffee robberies, which included the April 04, 2013 incident at the University Village Starbucks that UCPD alerted the community to when it occurred.

UCPD contacted detectives from the Riverside Police Department and the San Bernardino County Sheriff’s Department who responded and interviewed the suspects. In addition to the suspects being wanted for a series of robberies in the City of Riverside, they have been identified as suspects wanted in connection to other robberies in San Bernardino County, specifically Chino Hills. The suspects were booked in the San Bernardino County Jail and all the agencies involved continue to investigate their connection to numerous robberies. We do not have any indication at this time that these two suspects were involved in the recent robberies in the area of Linden St. and Rustin Ave.

Original Message

Crime Alert - iPhone Taken from a Victim Sitting inside the University Village Starbucks (1201 University Avenue) Near Campus

On 04/04/2013 at 6:30pm off campus, at the University Village Starbucks, a female was sitting inside at a table when a male suspect ripped her iPhone away from her grasp while she was listening to music. The suspect ran out of the door and entered a car driven by another male suspect. The vehicle was described as being an older model Ford or Buick Sedan that was last seen west bound on University Avenue.

The victim was not injured and the Riverside Police Department is investigating this crime.

UCPD would like to remind our community to be aware of their surroundings and alert to the fact that small electronic devices are seen as potential items of value for criminals.