TO: UCR Community

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RE: Robbery near University Ave. & Iowa Ave.

This morning (07/23/11) at about 1:35 a.m. the City of Riverside Police Department responded to a report of a robbery at the Thifty gas station near University Ave. and Iowa Ave. Four University Extension students went to the Thrift gas to purchase some beer. As they walked out a suspect approached the student with the beer and demanded the beer and his wallet. The students refused and the subject punched him in the left eye. The victim dropped the beer and the suspect picked it up and ran to a waiting vehicle that was last seen southbound on Iowa Ave. No weapons were seen or used and the victims required no immediate medical assistance.

The robbery suspect was described as a white male adult, early 20's, skinny and tall, with light brown curly shoulder length hair, wearing a white t shirt. The suspect vehicle was described as a grey compact 2 door vehicle.

UCPD reminds everyone to be aware of their surroundings and to exercise caution when walking in the early morning hours.