



NEWS RELEASE

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SUBJECT: Newark Police Investigate Purse Snatching

On Wednesday, September 21st, 2011 at approximately 12:14pm Newark Police responded to a report of a purse snatching on the service road behind Patrick Henry Court in the development of Cherry Hill Manor. The 42 year old female victim reported that she was walking westbound on the service road when two male suspects grabbed her purse from behind. The victim attempted to hold on to her purse but fell to the ground. The victim reports that the two suspects then fled eastbound on the service road with her purse. A search of the area by responding officers from Newark PD and a UDPD K9 team were unsuccessful in locating the suspects.

Both suspects are described as white males, possibly Hispanic and were wearing identical clothing: long white t-shirts, blue jeans, and white sneakers. Both suspects are described as being 18-25 years old, 5'10" to 6' tall, clean shaven with short military style haircuts.

The victim, a 42 year old white female from Newark was not injured during the incident.

Anyone with additional information about this incident should contact Cpl. Marc DiFrancesco at 302-366-7110 ext. 402 or marc.difrancesco@cj.state.de.us. You can send an anonymous text message tip by texting 302NPD and your message to TIP411. Information can also be provided anonymously to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at www.tipsubmit.com where a reward may be available.

The Newark Police Department affirms that all defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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