



NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

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SUBJECT: Home Invasion Robbery – Kershaw Street

A home invasion style armed robbery targeting illegal drugs and drug proceeds occurred at a residence in the 100 block of Kershaw Street on February 9th, 2011 at approximately 7:30pm. Victim 1, a University of Delaware Student, answered a knock at his front door and was confronted by two suspects, one armed with a silver handgun. Victim 1 and a second resident, Victim 2, also a University of Delaware Student, were ordered to sit down on a couch while the second suspect went to a second floor bedroom and removed a safe containing US currency. During the robbery victim 1 was struck in the face with the gun held by suspect 1. In addition to the safe and currency, the suspects fled with one of the victim's wallets, a laptop computer and car keys.

The investigation has confirmed that illegal drug activity was conducted at this residence and believe the suspects were searching for drugs and/or drug proceeds.

Both suspects are described as black males approximately 5'10" to 6' tall wearing black hooded sweatshirts, black pants, black gloves and black balaclava style masks. Both were last seen fleeing on foot eastbound on East Cleveland Avenue.

Victim 1 sustained a laceration above his left eye and was transported by private vehicle to Christiana Hospital for treatment.

There are no suspects at this time.

Anyone with additional information about this incident should contact Det. Greg Delia at 302-366-7110 ext. 132 or greg.delia@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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