

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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**SUBJECT: NPD Investigates Home Invasion Robbery** 

Newark Police are investigating a home invasion style armed robbery which occurred at a home in the 100 block of Madison Drive on Wednesday, November  $6^{th}$ , 2012 at approximately 12:30am.

During this incident, a 25 year old male victim and a 29 year old female victim were in the front living room of their home when two masked men entered the home through an unlocked front door. Both suspects were dressed all in black with black masks covering their faces. One male was armed with a knife while the second was armed with what appeared to be a handgun. The two suspects demanded cash from the two victims and one male held the handgun to the female victims head while the second male attempted to use duct tape to tape the victim's hands together. The male victim then fought the two suspects and was able to remove the handgun from the suspect. The two suspects then fled the home and were last seen fleeing on foot towards Lincoln Drive. NPD officers and a NCCPD K9 team responded to the scene and conducted a K9 track, however the suspects were not located.

Neither victim was injured during the incident and the victims report that they do not know why their home was targeted. No items were stolen during the incident and the gun was found to be an Airsoft gun.

Suspect 1 is described as a white male 5'10" to 6'2" tall, 25-30 years of age, armed with an Airsoft handgun. He was dressed all in black with a black hooded sweatshirt, and black mask covering his face.

Suspect 2 is described as a white male 5'5" to 5'8" tall, 20-35 years of age, armed with a knife. He was also dressed all in black with a black hooded sweatshirt, and a black mask covering his face.

Anyone with additional information about this incident should contact Det. James Skinner at 302-366-7110 ext. 135 or <a href="mailto:james.skinner@cj.state.de.us">james.skinner@cj.state.de.us</a>. 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 <a href="https://www.tipsubmit.com">www.tipsubmit.com</a> 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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