



# **NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT**

# **PRESS RELEASE**

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**SUBJECT: Armed Street Robbery**

The Newark Police Department is investigating a street robbery that occurred early in the morning of Sunday December 7, 2008. The two victims, both 21 year-old male University of Delaware students, were walking in the 100 block of Haines Street around 1:45 a.m. The two suspects were heading in the opposite direction and walked past the victims. Immediately after they passed, one victim was struck in the back of the head by one of the suspects. The suspect was in possession of a handgun, and struck the victim in the face with the hand that held the gun. The suspect then took the victim's wallet and ordered him to the ground. The second suspect kept watch on the victim, while the first suspect approached the other victim.

The suspect hit the second victim in the face while still holding the gun in his hand. The victim was ordered to the ground, and the suspect removed the victim's cell phone from his pocket. Both suspects were last seen running north on Haines Street toward Delaware Avenue.

The first victim suffered a cut lip and a contusion on his head. He was treated at Christiana Hospital. The second victim had a contusion above his eye. He was treated on scene by EMT's from the Aetna Hose Hook and Ladder Company.

**Suspect #1:** White male, 20 to 22 years of age, 5' 10" tall, 150 to 170 lbs, thin build, chin strap beard, shaved head. He was wearing a green hooded sweatshirt and was in possession of a silver handgun.

**Suspect #2:** White male, 19 to 22 years of age, 5' 11" tall, wearing a black knit cap and a light colored shirt.

Information can be reported to Det. Rubin at 302-366-7110 ext 135 or [Andrew.Rubin@cj.state.de.us](mailto:Andrew.Rubin@cj.state.de.us) or to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333, where tips can be left anonymously and a reward may be offered.

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