



NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT
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SUBJECT: Strong Arm Street Robbery

A strong arm robbery occurred in the first block of East Cleveland Avenue on Saturday February 28 around 1:00 a.m. The victim was on the sidewalk and was approached by the suspect, who asked to use the victim's cell phone. The victim told the suspect he could, after the victim placed a call. While the victim was attempting his call, the suspect grabbed the Blackberry Pearl phone, punched the victim once in the face, and ran off.

The victim, a 20 year-old male University of Delaware student, was not injured.

The suspect is described as a white male, 18 to 21 years of age, 5' 10" tall, 160 to 180 pounds, with a thin build, and a short military-style haircut. He was wearing a white T-shirt with a round red graphic in the middle of the chest.

He was believed to be in the company of another white male, 18 to 21 years of age, 5' 10" tall, thin build, a small head that was shaved, and big ears.

Information pertaining to this incident should be reported to Det. Greg D'Elia at 302-366-7110 ext. 132 or Greg.Delia@cj.state.de.us. Information can also be reported anonymously to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333, where a reward may be available.

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