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PUBLIC SAFETY ADVISORY

Series of Craig's List Robberies

The Oakland Police Department wants to make the public aware of several robberies that have taken place during the month of April. The victims are being lured by ads featuring vehicles and other items for sale in Oakland. The victims arrive at the designated meeting place and are robbed at gun point. The suspects have been described as African-American males between 25-30 years old.

We are asking for the public to practice caution when attempting to buy items off Craig's List:

- 1) Do not agree to meet in a secluded or residential area. Highly populated and well-traveled areas are better.
- 2) Do not travel to any location with a large amount of cash.
- 3) If someone or something looks suspicious leave.
- 4) If you are robbed, give the subjects the property they are asking for; your life is worth much more.

This investigation is of high importance and is on-going. Anyone with information concerning these incidents is urged to contact the Oakland Police Criminal Investigation Section at (510) 238-3349.

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