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**Public Safety Advisory**  
***Robbery, kidnapping and Sexual Assault***

*Oakland, CA* — The Oakland Police Department would like to make the public aware of a reported robbery, kidnapping and sexual assault.

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A 29- year old female reported that on March 4, 2012 at 5:40 a.m., she was sitting in her car in the 2000 block of Sunnyside Avenue talking with a male friend who was standing outside, when they were approached by the suspect who walked up to the male and robbed him at gun point. The suspect then got into the victim's car, forcing her at gun point to drive away. The suspect directed the victim to an isolated location, where he held her at gun point and sexually assaulted her. After the assault the suspect fled the scene on foot.

The suspect is described as a African American male, possibly in his 20's, 5'6" to 5'8", approximately 170 pounds, with very short black hair, a dark complexion, clean shaven, wearing a black hooded sweatshirt and dark pants, armed with a handgun.

A sketch of the suspect will be released as soon as it becomes available.

**AS A SAFETY REMINDER:**

- Always be aware of your surroundings. Don't be distracted by cell phones and electronic devices;
- Stay in well lit and populated areas;
- Be especially alert when entering and exiting your vehicle;
- Remember to lock your car door after entering your vehicle; and
- If someone or something looks suspicious call the police.

The Oakland Police Department and Crime Stoppers of Oakland are offering a reward of up to \$5000 for information leading to the arrest in this case.

Anyone with information is asked to contact the Youth and Family Service Division at (510) 238-3641 or the Tip Line at (510) 637-0298.

For more information, please contact the Media Relations Office at 510.238.7230 or [opdmedia@oaklandnet.com](mailto:opdmedia@oaklandnet.com).

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