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Public Safety Advisory: *Series of Craig's List Robberies*

Oakland, CA — The Oakland Police Department would like to make the public aware of several armed robberies that have taken place during the last several weeks.

The victims are being lured by Craig's List ads featuring vehicles and other items such as electronics for sale in Oakland. The victims arrive at the designated meeting place and are robbed at gun point.

The suspects have been described as Caucasian, Hispanic and African-American males.

The Oakland Police Department is asking for the public to practice caution when attempting to buy items off of Craig's List:

Safety Tips

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

This is an ongoing investigation. Anyone with information about the Craig's List robberies are asked to contact the Oakland Police Department's Major Crimes Section at (510) 238-3326 or the TIP LINE at 773-2805.

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