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**Electronic Tracking Application Helps Oakland Police Arrest Three Robbery Suspects**

*Oakland, CA* —On Monday, November 19, 2012, Oakland Police Officers arrested three suspects in connection with two armed robberies that had occurred within minutes of each other in North Oakland.

The first robbery occurred in the 4400 block of Webster Street at about 7:50 PM, where it is believed three suspects robbed a female adult at gunpoint of her cell phone, before fleeing the area in a vehicle.

The second robbery occurred in the 4800 block of Shafter Avenue at about 7:55 PM, where it is believed the same three suspects robbed another female adult at gunpoint of her cell phone and fled in a vehicle.

Officers used the electronic tracking applications from the victim's cell phones which led them to the area of 13<sup>th</sup> Avenue and East 34<sup>th</sup> Street. Officers were able to detain three suspects matching the descriptions. All three suspects were identified by the victims and a replica firearm was recovered from the vehicle used by the suspects.

Officers were able to recover the victim's property. All three suspects were arrested in connection with robberies.

Two of the suspects are male juveniles age 17 and the third suspect is a male adult 18 years old. All three are residents of Oakland.

Investigators believe the electronic tracking device played a key role in the officer's investigations and successfully led to the location and apprehension of the suspects.

The Oakland Police Department encourages tracking applications on all electronic devices to assist with investigations and apprehensions. We also encourage storing information such as make, model and serial number in a safe location where they can be easily retrieved in case of theft.

The investigation is on going and anyone with information is asked to contact the Oakland Police Department's Major Crimes Section-2 Robbery and Assault Unit at (510) 238-3326 or the TIP LINE at 777-2805.

Nixle Tip Watch allows tipsters to send OPD a tip four ways:

1. *Text* **TIP OAKLANDPD** to **888777** from your cell phone
2. *Call* our toll-free tip hotline at **855-TIPS-247** (855-847-7247)
3. *Respond* to OPD's Nixle messages

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