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Police Need Your Help To Identify Robbery Suspect

Oakland, CA – The Oakland Police Department is requesting assistance from the media and the community in identifying a strong arm robbery suspect. Investigators have released this photo of the person they believe to be responsible for committing a strong arm robbery of an 82-year-old victim on March 28, 2014, at 7:15 PM, in the area of Coolidge and Brookdale avenues.

The suspect is described as a female Hispanic or African-American, 40–50 years old, 5'6", 150–180 pounds. **The attached photo shows the suspect after the commission of the crime.**

BACKGROUND: On March 28, 2014, at 7:15 PM, officers responded to the area of Coolidge and Brookdale avenues on a report of a strong arm robbery that had just occurred. The 82-year-old victim was walking down the street when he was approached by the suspect, who robbed him and then fled the scene with the loss. The suspect's image (right) was captured after the commission of the crime.

The investigation is on-going and anyone with information is asked to contact the Oakland Police Department's Robbery Unit at 510-238-3326 or Crime Stoppers of Oakland at 510-777-8572.

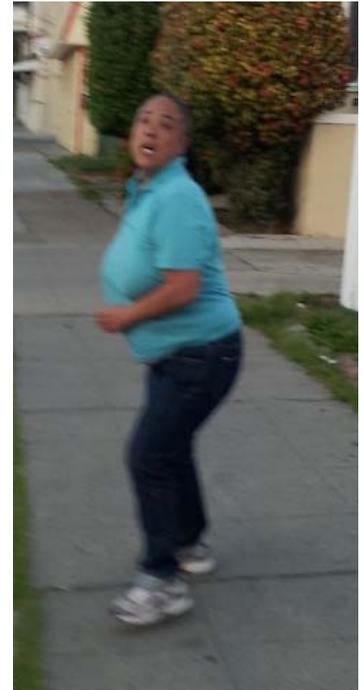
The Oakland Police Department and Crime Stoppers of Oakland are offering a reward of up to \$1,000 for information leading to the arrest in this case.

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.

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

1. Text TIP OAKLANDPD to 888777 from your cell phone followed by your tip
2. Call our toll-free tip hotline at 855-TIPS-247 (855-847-7247)
3. Submit a tip by web form - see the option at the bottom of OPD's Nixle messages or visit <http://nixle.us/tip/oakland-police-department-ca/> to complete and send.



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Anonymous Tipping allows residents to proactively connect with the Oakland Police Department by submitting anonymous tips via web form and text message. Additionally, with the issuance of a tipping passcode to tipsters, we can initiate a two-way, anonymous communication to help gather more information.

For more information, please contact the Media Relations Office at 510-238-7230 or opdmedia@oaklandnet.com.

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