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Public Safety Advisory

Oakland, CA — The Oakland Police Department would like to make the public aware of a sexual assault that occurred in the 1300 block of East 31st Street on May 28, 2014 at 12:25 PM.

The victim, an adult female, was approached by a stranger as she walked in the 1300 block of East 31st Street. The male suspect pulled the victim into a secluded area where he groped her and attempted to further sexually assault her. The victim was able to get away and report the incident to authorities.

The suspect, an African American man, is described as being 25 to 35 years old, 5'10", 140 pounds with unknown hair or eye color. He was wearing a black shirt, black pants and black boots.

(We will advise if a sketch or video becomes available at a later date)

Crime Stoppers of Oakland is offering a reward of up to \$5,000 for information leading to an arrest in this case. Anyone with information is asked to contact the Youth and Family Services Division at (510) 238-3641 or the TIP LINE at (510) 637-0298 or Crime Stoppers of Oakland TIP LINE (510) 777-8572.

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.

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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