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SUSPECT SOUGHT IN TWO SEXUAL ASSAULT CASES

(San Diego) Detectives from the San Diego Police Department Sex Crimes Unit are investigating two sexual assaults that occurred during the past 36 hours. On Tuesday, September 11, 2007 at approximately 11 p.m., in the 4300 block of Florida Street, the suspect entered an unlocked door of the residence. The suspect assaulted the victim, a 55-year-old female, who was asleep inside. The suspect left the residence in the victim's vehicle, a 1998 silver Ford Escort four door, with California license plate number 3XTE819.

On Wednesday, September 13, 2007 at approximately 2 a.m., in the 1600 block of Robinson Avenue, the suspect entered an unlocked side window of the residence and climbed inside. The suspect assaulted the victim, 69-year-old female, and then fled out the front door in an unknown direction.

The suspect is described as a black male, 25-30 years of age 5'8" to 6' with a muscular build, short dark hair, wearing a dark knit beanie cap and in one case wore a black hooded jacket. No weapons were seen, yet the suspect said he had a gun. (A composite of the suspect can be found on page two of this release)

The Sex Crimes Unit suggests citizens take the following precautions:

- Make sure your windows and doors are securely locked.
- Have a phone near your bed and call 9-1-1 if someone has illegally entered your residence.
- Contact the community relations officer in your area and arrange for a home security evaluation.
- Be aware of your environment. If you see strangers hanging around, notify the police, your complex manager and neighbors.
- Organize a community crime watch in your neighborhood or apartment complex.
- Trust your instincts.

Composite of suspect in two sexual assault cases.

Anyone with information about these cases is asked to call SDPD at (619) 531-2000. A victim of any sexual assault can also contact the Rape Crisis Hotline at (858) 272-1767 for assistance.

You can also call the Crime Stoppers anonymous tip line at (888) 580-TIPS. Crime Stoppers is offering up to a $1,000 reward to anyone with information that leads to the arrest of this suspect. Collect calls are accepted and callers may remain anonymous.

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