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## Suspect Wanted for Identity Theft & Credit Card Fraud Up to \$1,000 Reward Offered

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San Diego County Crime Stoppers, along with investigators from the San Diego Police Department's Financial Crimes Unit, are asking for the public's assistance in identifying and locating an unknown suspect who fraudulently opened and attempted to open several credit card accounts using someone else's personal information.

Starting on July 12, 2018, an unknown female suspect opened several fraudulent credit card accounts at different stores in the College Grove area of San Diego and in Lemon Grove using another person's identity. The same suspect attempted to open several other credit card accounts using the same false identity but was unsuccessful. The suspect was using personal information of a real person living in San Diego. The victim contacted the San Diego Police Department once they learned credit card accounts were being opened. The victim does not know how the suspect gained access to their personal information.

Investigators with the San Diego Police Department's Financial Crimes Unit are still determining how the suspect was able to open the fraudulent accounts. The suspect did fraudulently charge over \$10,000 before the accounts were closed. Investigators were able to get surveillance photos of the suspect.

## Suspect's Description:

The suspect is described as a Black female, approximately 25 to 35-years old, medium build, with blonde hair.

\*\*\*Surveillance photos of the suspect can be found on page 2 of this release.\*\*\*

Anyone with information on the identity or location of the suspect is asked to call the SDPD's Financial Crimes Unit at (619) 446-1050 or the Crime Stoppers anonymous tip line at (888) 580-8477. Crime Stoppers is offering up to a \$1,000 reward to anyone with information that leads to an arrest in this case. Visit the Crime Stoppers website at <u>www.sdcrimestoppers.org</u> for more information on how to send anonymous web and mobile app tips.

• Media inquiries about this case or Crime Stoppers can be directed to Officer Mark Herring at (619) 531-1500 or email at <u>msherring@pd.sandiego.gov</u>.

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