

## **Two Crime Patterns June 16, 2012**

### **The first crime pattern concerns street robberies in the East Av / Monroe Av. / South Wedge areas.**

There have been 8 street robberies in the past three weeks, some involving the display or threat of a handgun. These robberies have primarily occurred between 9pm and 3pm and victims are generally walking home from bars. Suspects are described as two Black males, approx. 20years old medium build and about 6ft +/- tall.

More details will follow as soon as possible. Please exercise extreme caution when walking at night.

- 1) Always stay alert to your surroundings! Whether you are walking down the street or operating your business, you must be aware of persons and situations around you. Criminals are less likely to commit a crime when they believe someone can identify them.
- 2) Report suspicious activity to the police immediately. If you observe something that seems like criminal activity, call 911. If you are mistaken in your assessment of the situation, no harm is done by the police looking into it. On the other hand if you are right...you just might prevent a crime or even help to apprehend a criminal!
- 3) TRUST YOUR INSTINCTS! Whether you are at work, at home or engaged in your favorite pastime, you will usually know what people and actions seem out of place for the situation. If it feels "wrong" to you, it probably is! Get away from any potential danger immediately and call 911.
- 4) If you do become the victim of a robbery, comply with the criminal's requests for money or property. Your belongings are not worth the risk of being injured. Don't make any sudden moves or do anything to agitate the robber. Try to get a good description of the criminals clothing and physical features. A good witness is our best hope for making an arrest.

### **The second crime pattern involves stolen vehicles.**

There has been approximately 30 Honda vehicles (Accords and Civics) stolen throughout the county and City during the past three weeks. The most recent 9 thefts were all in the South East area (Garson Av, Bobrich dr., N. Goodman, Anderson Av, University Pk, Upton Pk, Green knolls Dr. )

It is possible that the suspects are using a tow truck or similar vehicle during the crimes.

Please be sure to lock your vehicles and do not leave your keys in your car. Additionally, use an anti-theft device such as a car alarm or steering wheel lock to further deter these criminals.

**Please report any suspicious activity immediately by calling 911.**