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Reward Offered for Information on Robberies

A CrimeStoppers reward is being offered for information about six robberies that occurred within a two-hour period Thursday night. Investigators believe that some of the robberies may have been committed by the same suspects. Police are asking for information about the following robberies:

- 1) **8:30 p.m. on Steadman Street near Barry Street** – A male told officers he was walking on Steadman Street when a male approached him and asked for money. When the victim refused to give him money, the suspect pistol whipped him and took his wallet and cash. The victim was treated at Durham Regional Hospital for his injuries. The suspect is described as a black male, 20 to 25 years old, 5 feet 8 inches tall and 180 pounds. He was wearing a black hoodie and blue jeans.
- 2) **9:18 p.m. at 24 Hour Check Cashing, 2107 North Roxboro Street** – The victim was getting in her vehicle in the parking lot of the business when a male armed with a black handgun approached her, pointed a gun at her head and robbed her of cash and a cell phone. A second female was also getting in the car, but was not robbed. The suspect was described as a black male, 19 to 25 years old, 5 feet 6 inches to 5 feet 10 inches tall with a medium build. He was wearing dark clothing.
- 3) **9:31 p.m. at Raleigh-Durham Check Cashing, 1504 Broad Street** – The victims were getting in their vehicle in the parking lot of the business when a male got out of a vehicle parked in the corner of the parking lot and robbed both of them at gunpoint. The male got back in the passenger side of the vehicle, which was described as a brown or black 4-door car. The suspect was described as a black male, 5 feet 8 inches to 6 feet tall wearing dark clothing. He was armed with a black pistol.
- 4) **9:53 p.m. in the 200 block of North Duke Street** - A male approached two females at the Shell convenience store on West Main Street and started a conversation with them. The females left the store and started to walk on Duke Street. A short time later, the male who

spoke to them in the convenience store approached them on the street, pulled out a black handgun and demanded money. The victims did not give him any cash and he fled. He was described as a black male, 20 to 22 years old, 5 feet 5 inches to 5 feet 9 inches with a medium build and partially braided hair pulled back with a rubber band. He was wearing a black hoodie, blue jeans with red writing on the back and black/brown low top Nike shoes.

- 5) **21:59 p.m. in the 700 block of South Mangum Street** – A male was walking on Mangum Street when a male walked out from an apartment complex, pulled out a black handgun and demanded money. He took the victim's wallet and cell phone. The suspect was described as a black male, 17 to 22 years old, 5 feet 8 inches to 5 feet 10 inches tall, 120 to 140 pounds with a dark complexion. He was wearing a black hoodie and dark clothing.
- 6) **22:28 p.m. at Taco Bell, 2101 East N.C. 54** – The victims were sitting in a car in the parking lot when a male armed with a black handgun approached their car and demanded money. He was described as a black male, 20 to 30 years old, 5 feet 8 inches to 5 feet 11 inches tall, 170 to 190 pounds with a medium complexion and braids or dreads tied back with a bandana. He was wearing a black hoodie and dark clothing. He fled in a dark-colored mid-sized sedan with square tail lights.

Anyone who can identify the person in the photo or has information on any of these robberies is asked to call Investigator Green at 560-4935, ext. 29415 or CrimeStoppers at 683-1200. CrimeStoppers pays cash rewards for information leading to arrests in felony cases and callers never have to identify themselves.

Crime Prevention Tips from the Durham Police Department

- Be aware of your surroundings. If you see anything suspicious, do not hesitate to call 911.
- Have your keys ready when you approach your apartment or vehicle.
- Do not carry extra cash or valuables.
- Do not walk alone at night. Darkness gives robbers an advantage.
- If someone follows you, do not drive home. Go to a well-lit place and report it.
- Avoid loiterers or people hanging out in groups.
- Walk briskly and with confidence.
- Park in a well-lit area of the apartment complex.
- Do not let strangers inside your apartment. Use your peephole to see who is at the door.

