



## **FORT BRAGG POLICE DEPARTMENT**

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### **\*PRESS RELEASE\***

**Releasing Officer:** Sergeant Brandon A. Lee  
**Report Number:** FG1701559  
**Date / Time Incident:** November 10, 2017 / 1:39 p.m.  
**Location of Incident:** 660 S. Main Street (Safeway)  
**Crime or Incident:** 530.5 PC – Credit Card Fraud  
**Victim(s):** Name withheld  
**Suspect(s):** Unidentified black female adult and black male adult

### **CIRCUMSTANCES:**

On November 10, 2017, at approximately 1:39 p.m., Officers of the Fort Bragg Police department were dispatched to 660 S. Main Street (Safeway) for the report of a stolen wallet. Upon initial investigation, Officers received the report that the victim discovered her wallet missing from her purse while shopping inside Safeway. When the victim attempted to pay for her merchandise, she discovered her wallet was no longer inside her purse where she last observed it.

When the victim contacted her financial institution in order to cancel her credit cards and freeze her accounts, she was advised that fraudulent activity had already posted against her account.

Further investigation revealed that the victim's debit card and two credit cards were used to purchase Visa gift cards valued at over \$2,000.00. The gift cards were purchased at Rite Aid in Fort Bragg, and more attempted purchases were conducted at CVS Pharmacy in Fort Bragg, but were declined. Investigating Officers were able to acquire surveillance video of the suspect(s) while purchasing the gift cards inside the Rite Aid store.

Officers are continuing to follow up on leads, and attempting to identify the suspect(s). The two suspects depicted in the surveillance video are described as a black female adult approximately 5 feet 11 inches tall with a thin build and long braids in her hair, and one or more of the braids being dyed purple or blue. The second suspect is a black male adult with an athletic build approximately 6 feet tall, with a military fade style haircut.

The Fort Bragg Police Department is requesting that anyone who may have been in the area at the time of the incident, or interacted with persons matching the descriptions provided, please contact Officer Thomas O'Neal at 707-961-2800 ext.167.

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