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POLICE DEPARTMENT
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CAMPUS CRIME ALERT

September 25, 2009

Aggravated Robbery

DATE(S): September 24, 2009

TIME(S): 10:22 p.m.

OFFENSE: Aggravated Robbery

LOCATION: 3650 Blodgett, Houston, Texas 77004 (Tierwester Oaks Apartments)

On Thursday, September 24, 2009, at approximately 10:22 p.m., Texas Southern University Police Department was dispatched to the Tierwester Oak Apartments in reference to an aggravated robbery call. Upon arrival, the police made contact with four student complainants who stated prior to the robbery, they were all gambling in the apartment room with two (non-student) black males. Shortly after the non-student males left the room, the complainants stated two black males, wearing ski masks over their heads and face, entered the apartment. The unknown suspects were both armed with semiautomatic handguns and demanded money from everyone in the room. After robbing the students of their money, the culprits fled on foot in an unknown direction.

Texas Southern University Police responded to the scene and searched the area for suspects with negative results. Members of the police department also notified and coordinated with University of Houston and Houston Police Departments regarding in the robbery. Texas Southern University Police gathered information from video surveillance and are aggressively investigating this incident in an effort to apprehend the culprits involved in this serious crime.

CRIME TIP

Engaging in criminal activities, such as illegal gambling, many time leads to more serious crimes being committed, which appears to be a direct result of this incident occurring.

The complainants' described the suspects as follows:

- African American male, 5'9 tall, age 18-22. The suspect was wearing a red T-shirt, brown jacket and brown pants, with a black ski mask.
- African American male, 5'10 tall' age 18-22. The suspect was wearing a black T-shirt, brown jacket and brown break-away pants, with a black ski mask.

If you have any information that may lead to the identity of the person(s) responsible for this Aggravated Robbery, please call the University Police at **713-313-7000**. If you wish, you may remain anonymous, you also have the options of contacting The Tiger Tip line at (713) 313-HARM (4276) or the Houston Area Crime Stoppers at (713)222-TIPS (8477).

“Crime Prevention is Everyone’s Business”

SAFETY TIPS:

Confrontations can occur without provocation, through no fault of your own. When such confrontations do occur, there are some actions you can take.

- **BE ALERT!!**
- Be cautious when approached by an unknown person(s) on the street, even the nicest person can have ill intent.
- Remain as calm as possible. This will not be easy if you are confronted, but it is your first step towards an escape. Your own initiative and clear thinking are your best defenses.
- The University has over 35 Emergency call boxes placed strategically around campus, use them! The call goes directly to the University Police emergency line.
- Report the incident. Call the police immediately and report what has happened. If you call from an "on-campus" land-line telephone, dial 7000. If you are calling from an "off-campus" or cell phone, dial (713)313-7000 or 911.
- Do not walk alone, if at all possible walk in groups.
- Try to notice details. This can allow you to provide the police with detailed physical and clothing descriptions of the person(s) involved.
- If a vehicle is involved, try to note the vehicle's license plate number or the vehicle's manufacturer, model and color or any other identifying features.

Seek support after an incident. Victims can benefit from University support services after the incident. Students can call the University Counseling Center @ (713) 313-7804.