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Wanted: Armed Robbery Series Suspects Up to \$1,000 Reward Offered

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San Diego County Crime Stoppers and investigators from the Rancho San Diego Sheriff's Station are asking for the public's help to identify and locate two unknown suspects wanted in connection with a series of armed robberies that happened between October – December 2017 in San Diego, Spring Valley, El Cajon and National City. The suspects in these robberies have been named "The Grinch Bandits."

The suspects entered each location in a similar manner. Suspect #1 entered the targeted business, pointed a shotgun at the clerk and demanded cash while Suspect #2 took cash from the register.

Suspect #1 is described as a black male adult standing 6' tall and weighing about 175 pounds with an athletic build.

Suspect #2 is described as a black male adult standing about 5'9" tall.

The suspects should be considered armed and dangerous. If you see them, please call 911.

** A picture of Suspect #1 can be seen on page 2 of this release. **

If you recognize the suspect or have information about any of these crimes, call the San Diego County Sheriff's Department at (858) 565-5200 or the Crime Stoppers anonymous tip line at (888) 580-8477. Please visit www.sdcrimestoppers.org for information on how to send a web or cell phone tip. Crime Stoppers is offering up to a \$1,000 reward to anyone with information that leads to an arrest in these cases.

- Media inquiries about this case can be directed to Sheriff's Detective Kyle Berchin at (619) 660-7087 or kyle.berchin@sdsheriff.org.
- Media inquiries about Crime Stoppers can be directed to Deputy Adriana Uribe at (619) 531-1547 or <u>adriana.uribe@sdsheriff.org</u>.

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Suspect #1





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