

## **Humboldt County Sheriff's Office**

826 Fourth Street, Eureka, CA 95501

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From: Lt. Steve Knight (707) 268-3630

**Subject:** Armed Robbery

Case: 201306095

## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

On 12-9-2013, at approximately 6:00 a.m., the Humboldt County Sheriff's Office received a call of an armed robbery at Ray's Food Place in Willow Creek. Deputies responded to the store and met with the five employees, two men and three women. The investigating deputy learned a female employee arrived at work at approximately 6:00 a.m. When she went to the front door, a male employee opened the door to let her in. As soon as the door was open the two suspects appeared and brandished semi-auto handguns at the employees, while forcing them into the store through the open door. They ordered both employees to the ground. One of the suspects immediately went to the office and confronted a manager in the office, while the second suspect located two other employees who were working in the deli and ordered them to the ground at gun point.

The suspect in the office held the manager at gunpoint and ordered her to put all the money in the safe into a backpack which the suspect brought with him into the office. After the employee in the office emptied the contents of the safe into the back pack, both suspects left the store, telling the victims to count to one hundred before calling law enforcement. Both suspects fled east bound on foot.

## The suspects are described as follows:

- 1. Possibly white male adult, 5'8" tall, wearing all black, with a black hoodie, full face mask with eye holes, cloth gloves and armed with a black semi auto handgun
- 2. Possibly white male adult, 6' tall, wearing all black, black hoodie, full face mask with eye holes and cloth gloves armed with a black semi auto handgun

No one was injured during the robbery.

Anyone with information for the Sheriffs Office regarding this case or related criminal activity is encouraged to call the Sheriffs Office at 707-445-7251 or the Sheriffs Office Crime Tip line at 707-268-2539.

Mike Downey Sheriff