



# Pembroke Pines Police Department



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## MEDIA RELEASE

ASSIGNED PIO:

Amanda Conwell

PPPD CASE NUMBER: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: 11/24/2015

TIME: 4:30PM

CHARGE/INCIDENT: 2015 Holiday Safety

PLACE OF OCCURRENCE: City-wide

VICTIM(S) – NAME, AGE, DOB, RACE, SEX, ADDRESS:

1) \_\_\_\_\_

2) \_\_\_\_\_

SUSPECT(S) – NAME, AGE, DOB, RACE, SEX, ADDRESS:

1) \_\_\_\_\_

2) \_\_\_\_\_

INCIDENT SUMMARY:

The City of Pembroke Pines Police Department wants to remind the community to be safe this holiday season and not be vulnerable to crime. Below are some tips to follow to help prevent becoming a victim.

- Stay alert to your surroundings. Don't leave your purse unattended.
- Carry a small wallet and avoid carrying a large amount of cash.
- Immediately report lost/stolen credit cards.
- Don't overload yourself with packages.
- Beware of strangers approaching you or around you, this may be a method of distracting you with the intention of taking your belongings.
- Don't shop alone.
- Update or create a home inventory. Take photos or videos of items, and list descriptions and serial numbers. If your home is burglarized, having a detailed inventory can help identify and claim stolen items.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is urged to contact the Pembroke Pines Police Department at 954-431-2200, email to [Tips@ppines.com](mailto:Tips@ppines.com), or call Crimestoppers at 954-493-TIPS



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- **Write down account numbers and phone numbers to contact banks and lenders should you need to cancel any financial accounts if you lose or have your wallet stolen.**
- **Whenever you leave your home, make sure your doors and windows are secure, alarm systems are on and packages out of view to deter a potential burglar.**
- **Holiday shoppers make perfect targets for vehicle break-ins. Caution is advised when choosing to leave valuables or shopping bags in your vehicle.**
- **If you are traveling out of town, keep your lights on timers and make arrangements to have your neighbors retrieve your mail.**
- **DO NOT have UPS or FedEx leave packages at the front door of your residence, track the package and make arrangements to have a neighbor hold it for you.**

**When arriving or leaving a mall or store, be aware of who is congregated around the entrances and parking lots. Use caution when approaching your car, take time to look inside around and even underneath your vehicle. If possible, avoid storing already purchased merchandise in the passenger compartment or even the trunk, in order to continue shopping. Burglars are always watching for soft targets.**

**Report activity that seems suspicious to store security or the police. Whether you observe a suspicious vehicle in your neighborhood or suspicious person looking into vehicles in a parking lot, call 911. Remember to obtain information such as the person's physical and clothing descriptions, vehicle descriptions with the license plate and the direction of travel for either.**

**If you have any questions and for non-emergencies contact: 954-438-4357**

**For emergencies dial 911.**

**Have a safe and Happy Holiday.**

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