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Robbery suspects arrested.

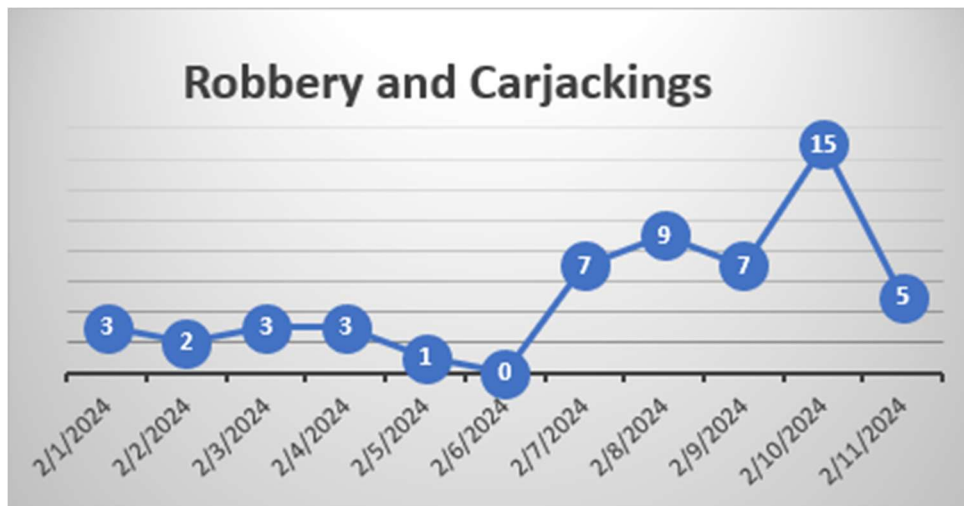
February 12, 2024 (Minneapolis): At approximately 1:15 Monday afternoon, Minneapolis Police Department officers on patrol identified two vehicles believed to have been involved in the robbery of a person at gunpoint on the 500 block of W 43rd St. earlier in the day. The vehicles, both stolen white Kias, were in Northeast Minneapolis, traveling at a high rate of speed eastbound on Lowry Ave., toward the Lowry Avenue Bridge. Officers pursued the second Kia, a Sportage, through North Minneapolis until it crashed into a vehicle at the intersection of N Penn Ave. and Plymouth Ave. N.

Three male juveniles who fled from the crashed Kia were quickly apprehended and arrested. The other Kia has not been located. A handgun was recovered. There were no injuries reported.

Investigators are working to determine if and how these suspects are related to the robberies that occurred in Minneapolis over the weekend.

The GO number is 24-37379.

On Sunday, February 11th, MPD reported that several robberies had occurred Saturday into early Sunday Morning and that 14 of those robberies involved groups of individuals getting out of a vehicle and robbing people who were out walking. Of those 14 robberies with similar circumstances, 8 of the 14 robberies appeared to be connected to the same suspects or vehicles.



Looking back to Thursday, February 8th, there have been at least 36 Robberies or Carjackings.

The majority of these robberies involve victims being approached by groups of between 2 and 10 people. Most victims described suspects who were between 15 and 20 years old, and primarily male. Guns were present in most of these robberies. While the robberies on Saturday into Sunday typically involved victims who were walking, the robberies on Thursday and Friday also included individuals who were entering, exiting, or sitting in their vehicles.

Robbers took purses, wallets, phones, cash, and in a couple of cases, the victim's car.

MPD investigators are working to determine which of the robberies are related. MPD believes that the robberies involve groups of juveniles who committed several of the robberies across the city

MPD has resources dedicated to carjacking and robbery response. The arrests today are the result of those dedicated resources. All precincts have been advised of the robbery trend and will be alert. In addition, information about the robbery spree has been shared with local law enforcement partners.

If you are approached by an armed individual or group of individuals who demand your valuables, focus on as many details as possible. Important details are license plate numbers, vehicle description, height, weight, sex, race, hair color, and hairstyle of individual suspects, clothing descriptions of suspects, and the number of suspects with their direction of travel. Call 911 as soon as you are able. If your credit or debit cards are stolen, cancel them by phone as soon as possible and note any usage after the theft.

If you see someone being robbed, call 911 immediately and provide as much detailed information as possible



Chief Brian O'Hara speaks after pursuit - <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tAoCi4LGGLY>

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