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Suspects Wanted for Starlight Theatre Burglary

Up to \$1,000 Reward Offered

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San Diego County Crime Stoppers along with investigators from the San Diego Police Department's Central Division are asking for the public's help in identifying and locating unknown suspects responsible for a burglary that occurred at the Starlight Theatre in Balboa Park.

On October 19, 2019, between 10:45 p.m. and 11:30 p.m., approximately 40 vehicles arrived at a parking lot next to the Starlight Theater (2005 Pan American Plaza, San Diego), located inside Balboa Park. The occupants of the vehicles appeared to be attending an organized meet-up and were seen leaving their vehicles and walking towards the theatre. Suspects within this group damaged a portion of a chain link fence on the exterior of the theatre and then used an unknown tool to force open the doors leading to the ticket office. The suspects stole various electronic audio and visual equipment, several flat screen televisions, and several guitars. The total amount of stolen items is estimated at \$28,000. The estimated damage to the theatre is still being determined.

Investigators were able to locate surveillance video that shows a large group gathering in the parking lot. The surveillance video also showed a white, early to mid 2000's, Jeep Liberty arrive in the parking lot after the large crowd had left. The occupants of the Jeep can be seen changing their clothes outside of the Jeep and near a dark colored compact sedan with a luggage rack (possibly a Subaru Crosstrek). An anonymous person submitted cellphone video to investigators showing several males standing near a Ford Expedition just outside of the theatre talking about having a TV for sale.

Investigators are continuing to check for additional surveillance video from nearby buildings.

*** A link to view videos of the incident can be found below. ***

https://youtu.be/5AhXu1MRa_8

Anyone with information on the identity or location of the suspects is asked to call SDPD's Central Division at (619) 744-9533 or the Crime Stoppers anonymous tip line at (888) 580-8477. Crime Stoppers is offering up to a \$1,000 reward to anyone with information that leads to an arrest in this case. Visit the Crime Stoppers website at www.sdcrimestoppers.org for more information on how to send anonymous web and mobile app tips.

- Media inquiries about this case can be directed to A/Detective Rene Murillo at (619) 744-9533 or email at rmurillo@pd.sandiego.gov.
- Media inquiries about Crime Stoppers can be directed to Officer Mark Herring at (619) 531-1500 or email at msherring@pd.sandiego.gov or Deputy Marcial Lopez at (619) 531-1547 or email at marcial.lopez@sdsheriff.org.

Unknown Suspects





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Stock Photos of Suspect Vehicles Involved in Burglary (Not Actual Suspect **Vehicle Images**)

1997-2002 Ford Expedition





Compact Sedan Hatchback with Luggage Rack (Possibly Subaru Crosstrek or Similar)



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