



Bureau of Detectives – Area Central

Business Alert



Alert #P16-1-186BA
July 31, 2016

Retail Theft- High End Purses 018th District

About the Crime:

This alert gives notice to businesses (**Retail Department Stores**) in the 018th District of an increase in retail theft related incidents during the month of **July**. In these incidents, the offenders entered a retail establishments, took several high-end purses from the shelves and fled the scene. These incidents have occurred in the afternoon hours in the general geographical locations listed below:

Incident times and locations:

0-100 Block of E. Grand on June 27, 2016 during the early afternoon hours
100 Block of E. Oak on June 30, 2016 during the afternoon hours
100 Block of E. Oak on July 20, 2016 during the late afternoon hours
0-100 Block of E. Grand on July 31, 2016 during the afternoon hours

About the offenders:

Between 2-4 Male and/or Female black offenders (varies case by case), average height and weight descriptions, all between the ages of 20-25

What you can do:

- Keep the perimeter of your property well lit
- Report suspicious activity immediately
- Keep doors and windows secured
- If video surveillance is available, save and make a copy of the incident for investigating detectives.
- If you are a victim do not touch anything, call police immediately
- If approached by a witness to the incident, request contact information

**If you have any information Contact the Bureau of Detectives – Area Central
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