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# News Release

## **HPD Makes Arrests from Weekend Robberies**

**Sept. 16, 2011**

The Harrisonburg Police Department has arrested four men, who are responsible for two separate robberies on Sept. 11.

Sterling A. Williams, 18, of Manassas, VA was charged with:

- Six counts of robbery (felony)
- Two counts of attempted robbery (felony)
- Six counts of the use of a firearm while in commission of a felony as a principal in the second degree (felony).

Javion A. Stewart, 21, of Gainesville, VA was charged with:

- Six counts of robbery (felony)
- Attempted robbery (felony)
- Six counts of the use of a firearm while in commission of a felony as a principal in the second degree (felony)
- Malicious wounding by mob (felony).

Andrei L. Mayes, 20, of Bristow, VA was charged with:

- Six counts of robbery (felony)
- Attempted robbery (felony)
- Six counts of the use of a firearm while in commission of a felony (felony)
- Malicious wounding by mob (felony).

Darren Whitelow, 20, of Manassas, VA was charged with:

- Six counts of robbery (felony)
- Attempted robbery (felony)
- Six counts of the use of a firearm while in commission of a felony as a principal in the second degree (felony)
- Malicious wounding by mob as a principal in the second degree (felony).

On Sept. 11 around 9:30 a.m., a male reported that he was walking in the area of Port Republic Road and Bluestone Drive, when he was pushed to the ground and robbed. The offenders took his sunglasses and money.

At 12:03 p.m., that same day, five males reported they were robbed by four unknown males. The offense happened in the 1300 block of Devon Lane. The suspects entered a residence, took money, and one male did display a handgun. One victim was assaulted and sustained minor injuries.

Through the investigation, it was determined the second robbery, on Devon Lane, was drug-related.

Investigators received helpful tips and cooperation from citizens in this community.

“Without the help of citizens in our community, investigators would not have been able to make these arrests so quickly,” said Mary-Hope Vass, Public Information Officer and Crime Analyst.

HPD also received a great deal of assistance from Manassas Police Department and Prince William County Police Department.

Sterling Williams and Darren Whitelow were arrested in Manassas, VA. Javion Stewart and Andrei Mayes were arrested in Prince William County, VA. These arrests were made late last night into early this morning.

All four suspects have been booked into the Prince William County Detention Center, pending a transfer to Rockingham County Regional Jail.

Anyone who may have more information about either robbery is still encouraged to call Crime Solvers. Text “HPD” plus the tip to 274637 (CRIMES) or call the anonymous tip line at 540-574-5050.



Sterling Williams



Javion Stewart



Andrei Mayes



Darren Whitelow

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