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HPD Searching for Suspects Passing Counterfeit Checks

On February 2nd and 3rd officers with the Harrisonburg Police Department responded to multiple incidents involving counterfeit checks being passed at banking institutions within the City of Harrisonburg. The initial investigation determined that a group of 4-5 suspects had stolen checks from local businesses. The suspects had equipment with them to create counterfeit checks resembling those that were stolen. Other individuals then cashed the counterfeit checks at local banks and gave the proceeds to the suspects.

The suspects were described as three or four black males and a black female. They are believed to be approximately 25 years of age and were possibly linked to at least three vehicles: a newer model black Chevrolet Impala with North Carolina bearing registration EED-9406, a grey/blue Ford sedan, and silver in color SUV similar to a Kia Sorento. The vehicles were possibly rentals from the areas of North Carolina and Texas.

It is likely that these individuals have stayed in local lodgings on at least February 2nd. The group was sighted in the area of E. Market Street and Burgess Road during the daytime hours on both February 2nd and 3rd. These incidents remain under investigation.

The Harrisonburg Police Department is requesting assistance from the public in locating surveillance recordings from local business to identify these individuals. The Harrisonburg Police Department requests that anyone with information pertaining to this case contact the Major Crimes Unit at (540) 437-2640. Callers can provide anonymous tips at Crime Solvers: 540-574-5050 or text "HPD" plus the tip to CRIMES (274637). Witnesses are reminded that Crime Solvers may award monetary compensation for providing pertinent information regarding this or other criminal investigations.

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