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Oakland Police Link Series of Sexual Assaults to One Unidentified Suspect

(Oakland, CA) The Oakland Police Department has discovered that a series of six sexual assaults, which occurred over an eight-year period, are linked together based on an analysis of physical evidence and the suspect's modus operandi (MO). Three known assaults took place in 1995, another in 2001, and the last two just this year. Physical evidence developed during the investigations of the most recent sexual assaults has linked all of the cases together to one unidentified suspect. In each scenario, the masked suspect enters the residence through an unlocked window or cuts the window screen, sexually assaults the victim, and flees in an unknown direction. All assaults have occurred in the East Oakland area.

The following are characteristics that possibly describe the suspect:

- African-American male in his 20's
- Dark complexion
- 5'7" to 6' tall with thin build
- Low, raspy voice.
- Absent from 1995 to 2001 and came back to the area recently
- Has a ski mask in their possession.

If anyone has information about these cases or knows someone who fits the description of the suspect, please contact the Oakland Police Department Sexual Assault Tip Line at (510) 238-0298.

The Oakland Police Department strongly encourages residents, especially women, that live on the MacArthur Blvd. and Bancroft Ave. corridors from 95th Ave. to the San Leandro border to be aware of their surroundings at all times, lock all windows and doors, and to report any suspicious activity in the area by calling 911 immediately.

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