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WALGREENS CIGARETTE THEFTS

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Burbank, California – The Burbank Police Department is seeking the public's help in identifying at least three suspects wanted for several thefts of cigarettes from Walgreens stores in the San Fernando Valley, including Burbank.

Since June 7, 2017, mostly in the early morning hours, the suspects pictured below have entered various 24-hour Walgreens locations in Van Nuys, North Hollywood, Arleta and Burbank. Once inside, the suspects have walked behind the cash registers and stolen large quantities of cigarettes. There have been eight reported incidents involving these same suspects with losses reaching into the thousands of dollars.

On June 22, 2017, at about 4:00 A.M., two of the suspects entered the 24-hour Walgreens located at 1028 South San Fernando Boulevard in the City of Burbank. The suspects approached a cashier and demanded that she "stay back" as they selected several packages of cigarettes from behind the counter, shoveling them into a pillow case. The suspects then left the store to a getaway vehicle driven by a third suspect. The car was described as a four door sedan, possibly gray in color.







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The suspects have not displayed any weapons during the commission of these crimes. In some cases, the suspects entered the store wearing latex gloves. They have used a different getaway car for each crime.

The suspects are described as men in their 30s wearing baggy clothing and baseball-style hats.

Anyone with information about these thefts, including information that might lead to the identity of the suspects is asked to call Burbank Police Detective Brent Fekety, at (818) 238-3245. If you wish to remain anonymous, you can call "LA Crime Stoppers" by dialing (800) 222-TIPS (8477), or use your smartphone by downloading the "P3 MOBILE APP," or through their website, at <u>www.LACrimeStoppers.org</u>.

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