

Wanted: Smash & Grab Bandit



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EPD is seeking to identify the suspect(s) involved in a recent rash of “smash and grab” (glass break) commercial burglaries occurring in Eureka. Over the past 4-5 months, EPD has identified at least 29 burglaries to retail stores sharing a similar modus operandi in which 1-2 male suspects use objects (such as rocks, bricks, and misc. tools) to force entry into closed, alarmed businesses (via glass break) during the early morning hours. The suspect(s) quickly grabs selected merchandise and then flees the scene on foot or bicycle. The suspect(s) appears to be a white or light-skinned Hispanic male in his 20’s with a medium to slender build. He typically wears dark clothing with a hat and/or hood and attempts to obscure his face from surveillance cameras. It is believed the same 1-2 individuals are responsible for the majority of these burglaries. Items taken have included clothing (shirts and designer jeans etc.), tobacco, cash, electronics, jewelry, and tools. Anyone with information concerning these crimes is asked to contact the Eureka Police Department.

