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TYPE OF INCIDENT: Armed Robbery

LOCATION OF INCIDENT: 720 Mangrove Ave (Safeway Complex), 231 W. East Ave (OSH Hardware), and 2350 Forest Ave (Lowe's Hardware)

DATE/TIME OCCURRED: 11-12-16 / 1745 hrs., 1829 hrs., 1954 hrs.

INCIDENT CASE NUMBER: 16-8522 / 16-8523 / 16-8524

VICTIM: 30 year old female, OSH Hardware, Lowe's Hardware

SUSPECT: Refer to narrative.

NARRATIVE:

On 11-12-16 between 1730 hours and 1954 hours the Chico Police Department were dispatched to three separate armed robbery calls.

At approximately 1800 hours the Chico Police Department received its first armed robbery call. The victim reported the incident occurred at 720 Mangrove Ave in the Safeway complex shopping center. The victim met the suspect regarding a vehicle listed on Craigslist. After the victim gave the suspect an undisclosed amount of money for a vehicle, the suspect brandished a handgun and told the victim to back away. The suspect fled the area in a 2015 silver Ford Mustang and was last seen getting onto Hwy. 99 at E. 1st Ave. The suspect was described as a black male adult, approximately 6'2" tall, weighing approximately 180 lbs., with black hair, and brown eyes. The suspect was wearing tennis shoes with blue jeans and a black polo type shirt.

At approximately 1829 hours the Chico Police Department received its second armed robbery call at 231 W. East Ave, OSH Hardware and Supply. The suspect entered the store and went to the customer service counter. The suspect brandished a firearm and advised the clerk to give him the money. The clerk gave the suspect an undisclosed amount of money. The suspect fled the store and left the scene in a silver newer model Subaru type SUV. The suspect was described as a black or Hispanic male adult in his 30's. The suspect was

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approximately 6'2" tall, weighing approximately 200 lbs., with dark hair. The suspect was wearing a dark colored hooded sweatshirt and blue jeans. The suspect left the parking lot turning eastbound on W. East Ave.

At approximately 1954 hours the Chico Police Department received its third armed robbery call at 2350 Forest Ave. The suspect entered the business and walked to the closest register. The suspect then brandished a handgun and demanded money from the clerk. After receiving an undisclosed amount of money, the suspect fled the store and was seen leaving the parking lot in a white 90's model sedan. The suspect was described as a Hispanic male adult in his 30's, approximately 6'3" tall, weighing approximately 240 lbs., wearing a green colored hooded sweatshirt, blue pants, and black shoes.

Anyone with information regarding these incidents are encouraged to contact the Chico Police Department at 897-4911.

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