## DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## **COMMUNITY ALERT**



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To Provide Info Call 815-748-8400 To Report a Crime/Request Emergency Police Response Call 9-1-1

## Armed Robbery

The DeKalb Police Department is investigating two reported Armed Robberies that occurred less than four hours apart. The first incident occurred on May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017, at approximately 9:15 pm in a parking lot in the 1100 block of Varsity Boulevard. Two victims were robbed as they exited their vehicle by an offender that approached them on foot. The offender brandished a handgun and demanded cash. The offender is described as a male, black, approximately 5'06" tall, with facial hair, wearing a dark-colored jacket and dark-colored pants.

The second incident occurred on May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2017, at approximately 12:45 am in the 700 block of Russell Road. The victim was approached by two offenders while walking alone. The offenders approached the victim from behind, brandished a handgun, and demanded property from the victim. The offenders are described as male, black, approximately 6'3" tall, wearing hooded sweatshirts.

No physical injuries were reported in either robbery. Police Officers were in the area engaged in foot patrols at the time of the robberies. Officers immediately responded to the scene and checked the area at the time of the report and are continuing to investigate the incident. The Investigations Division is following up on these crimes.

The DeKalb Police Department would like to remind our citizens to be aware of your surrounding at all times, walk in pairs in well-lit areas, and have a cell phone available to contact police in case of an emergency. The DeKalb Police Department further encourages anyone to report suspicious activity at 815-748-8400 or dial 911 in the event of an emergency.

## PLEASE REPORT SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY