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Purse Snatch Robbery Series

Riverside and Corona combined investigation results in two arrests

Riverside, CA -- During January and February of this year, a series of robberies occurred throughout the cities of Riverside and Corona. The thefts involved a passenger reaching out of the moving suspect vehicle and grabbing a purse from a walking victim.

The Riverside Police Department Crime Analysis Unit compiled a list of robberies with similar methods of operation; many of them occurring in the western portion of the city. During one of the Riverside robberies, a license number of the vehicle was obtained. That same license number was also listed for a robbery in Corona.

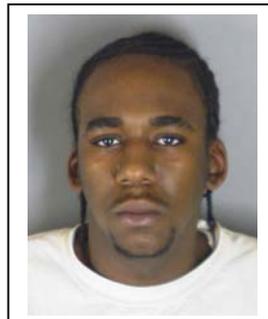
Detectives coordinated surveillance with the assistance of the Riverside Police Department Gang Unit. Two suspects were identified and arrested on February 25, 2008; the suspect vehicle, a light-colored 2001 Honda Accord, was impounded.

The suspects, Anthony R. GLINES, 19, Chino and Roderick A. PIGGEE, 20, Riverside, were booked into the Robert Presley Detention Center, charged with 13 counts of 211 PC Robbery, 13 counts of 182 PC Conspiracy and one count of 487 PC Grand Theft.

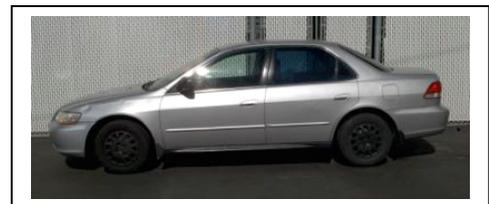
Anyone with information helpful to this investigation is urged to contact Riverside Police Detective Dave Smith at (951) 353-7103 or Corona Police Detective Ed Fanchin at (951) 736-2406.



Anthony Glines



Roderick Piggee



Suspect vehicle, 2001 Honda Accord

