



**Shelby Police Department
311 South Lafayette Street
Shelby, North Carolina 28151**



Press Release

To: Local Media Outlets
From: Jeff Ledford, Chief of Police
Date: July 24, 2014
Re: Armed Robbery

On July 23, 2014 at 2:04 a.m. the Shelby Police Department responded to an Armed Robbery that occurred at the One Stop Food Store located at 900 Fallston Road. The suspect who was armed with a black in color semi-auto handgun entered the store through the north side door. The suspect demanded and obtained an undisclosed amount of money from the store clerk before running back out the north side door. The suspect was described as a light skin black male, approximately 5'9" to 5'11" tall, wearing a white shirt over his head and a black mask or tee shirt over his face. He was also wearing a red long sleeve shirt, and tan camouflage pants. After leaving the store the suspect was last seen running east on Wyke Road; getting into a car that left also traveling east on Wyke Road.

The Shelby Police Department is requesting the assistance from the community with any information leading to the arrest of those person(s) responsible for this robbery and others that occurred within the city between June 29 and July 6, 2014 at the Kangaroo Express located at 3600 W. Dixon Blvd., Fast Stop Market located at 1020 E. Dixon Blvd., and Mike's Food Store located at 805 Earl Road.

The Cleveland County Sheriff's Department is also investigating an Armed Robbery that occurred on July 24, 2014 at 1:34 a.m. at the One Stop Food Store located at 3971 W. Dixon Blvd. The suspect in their robbery displayed several similarities as the one in the One Stop Food Store robbery on Fallston Road. If you have any questions pertaining to this robbery, please contact Detective Daniel Howell with the Cleveland County Sheriff's Office at 704-476-3041. No injuries were reported as a result of any of these robberies.

Crime Stoppers is offering a \$500.00 reward for information leading to the arrest of the person(s) responsible for these robberies. If you recognize the suspect(s) in the photos or have any information pertaining to any of these crimes please call Crime Stoppers at 704-481-TIPS (8477). Anyone with information can call and remain anonymous.

If you have any questions, please contact Lieutenant Wray Hamrick at 704-484-7151 or the Shelby Police Department at (704) 484-6845.

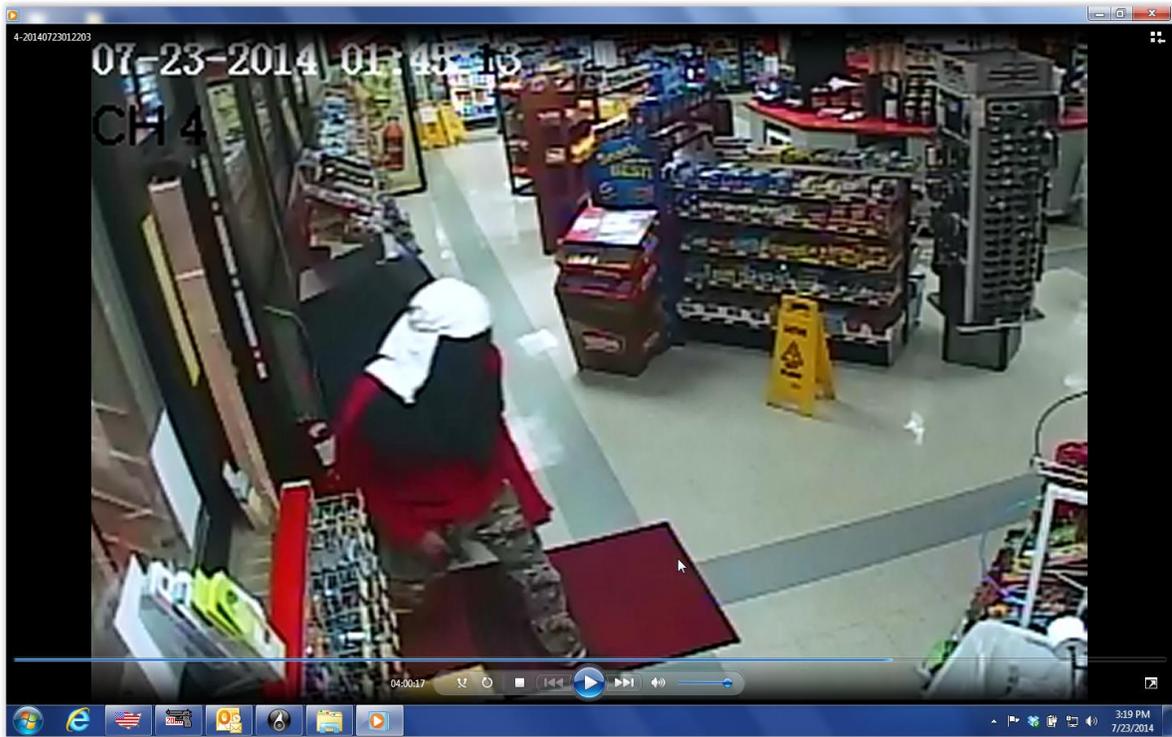


Photo of suspect in Armed Robbery of One Stop Food Store on July 23, 2014



Photos of suspect in the Armed Robbery of Mike's Food Store on July 6, 2014



Photo of suspect in the Armed Robberies at Kangaroo Express and Fast Stop Market on June 29, 2014