Community Notification

Alert: 2020-017
Case #: USF20OFF000391
Date of Alert: September 21, 2020
Offense: Robbery

Synopsis: On September 21, around 6:20 p.m., the University of South Florida Police Department (USFPD) received notification of a robbery that occurred near 12470 USF Genshaft Drive in Parking Lot 5E.

USF Police initiated an investigation with the victim who was attempting to sell an item via a social media resale application. According to the victim, potential buyers agreed to meet him on campus to look at the item for sale. Upon their arrival at USF, one of the suspects exited the vehicle armed with a handgun and took the victim’s property. The victim states the second suspect also displayed a weapon.

One suspect is described as a Black male in his early 20’s with his hair in dreadlocks. The second suspect is described as a Black male in his early 20’s (lighter complexion) with tattoos on both arms and a grey shirt. The vehicle used in the robbery is a black small four-door sedan, which fled south on USF Genshaft Drive. The victim was not injured in the incident.

The USF Police Department wants to remind anyone transacting business via internet resale websites to do so safely. Select a meeting site that is well lit, populated, and do not go alone if at all possible. If you must go alone, inform others as to your intended location and anticipated time of return.

This is an ongoing investigation. Anyone having information regarding the incident is asked to contact the USF Police Department at (813) 974-TIPS (8477) or the main number at 813-974-2628.

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