



Newport Police Department

169 SW Coast Highway
Newport, Oregon 97365

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Incident: Robbery **Case #: 15N-02788**

Location: Washington Federal Savings and Loan
500 block of North Coast Highway

Date/Time: 12/11/2015 at 5:50 p.m.

Details: On December 11, 2015, Newport Police Officers were called to a robbery that had just occurred at the Washington Federal Savings and Loan bank in the 500 block of North Coast Highway.

Bank employees reported a white male adult, wearing a grey hooded sweatshirt, greyish pants, and a piece of cloth covering his face, had entered the bank and demanded money from the tellers' money drawer. The suspect then placed an undisclosed amount of money into a plastic bag that appeared to have the face of a panda bear printed on it.

The suspect ordered the tellers to lie on the floor and remain there until they heard him leave through the door. Once the tellers felt it was safe, they activated an alarm that notified the dispatch center. Newport Police Officers were on scene within three minutes of receiving the call. There was with a total lapse time of about five minutes.

The suspect was reported to have left on foot north and then west of the location. Despite an extensive search of the area on foot and by vehicle, the suspect was not located.

The suspect's height is estimated to be around 5'8"; he has a medium build. He appears to be in his mid- to late 30's.

The Newport Police Department is seeking the public's help in identifying the suspect from published photos. Anyone with information is asked to contact Officer Jon Humphreys at 541-574-3348

The Newport Police Tip Line is available at 541-574-5455, or Text-a-Tip at 541-270-1856.

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