



HERCULES POLICE DEPARTMENT
PRESS RELEASE

TYPE OF INCIDENT Fraud		CASE NUMBER H14-00574
DATE AND TIME OF INCIDENT January 11, 2014 2:21 PM	LOCATION OF INCIDENT Hercules Branch of Bank of America, 1611 Sycamore Ave	

SUMMARY

On January 13, 2014 a Hercules resident reported being the victim of a Fraud. The victim stated she made an ATM deposit, the Hercules branch of the Bank of America, on January 11, 2014 at approximately 2:20pm. She later viewed her account, online, and saw numerous fraudulent transactions had taken place on January 11, 2014. The times of the transactions were between 2:21pm and 2:25pm. The victim believes a suspect accessed the ATM machine after she left. She recalled a man, standing around the ATM machine, when she exited her vehicle. The same man stood very close to her while she was doing her transactions, and made her feel uncomfortable. When she left and man was still standing by the ATM's.

The victim described the male as a light skinned African American male; 20 to 30 year old; over 6 foot tall; slim build, with a "V" shaped upper body; and short wavy hair, with small curls. At the time the male was wearing blue jeans, with gold embroidery on the rear pocket, and a navy blue puffy jacket.

A similarly described male was seen at the Bank of America on October 22, 2013. The male was seen trying to use the ATMs right after customers had left a machine. It appeared as if he was trying to view the PIN numbers the customers entered; and then he attempted to use his own card to access their accounts.

The Hercules Police Department advises citizens to always be aware of you surroundings, especially when using an ATM machine. Remember to always cover the numbers when entering your PIN, and remain at the machine until you are sure your transaction has been completed. If you see the aforementioned subject, or observe any suspicious activity, while conducting business at any local ATM, we encourage you leave the area then immediately and call the Hercules Police Department, at 510-724-1111.

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