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## **Police Seek Public's Help Identifying Robbery Suspects**

Newark Public Safety Director Brian A. O'Hara requests the public's help with identifying several suspects who robbed and assaulted a city resident on May 14, 2021.

Police responded to a call about a robbery in progress around 5:10 a.m. in the 200 block of Van Buren Street. When they arrived, the victim told officers that four men wearing black clothing were following him when he was walking on Van Buren Street. Unable to avoid the suspects, the victim said they threw him to the ground and assaulted. The suspects took his wallet and fled south on Van Buren Street in a blue Hyundai Kona.

While detectives investigate this incident and seek the public's help with identifying these suspects, Director O'Hara urges anyone with information about the individuals to call the Division's 24-hour Crime Stopper tip line at 1-877-NWK-TIPS (1-877-695-8477). All anonymous Crime Stopper tips are kept confidential and could result in a reward.

Anonymous tips may also be made using the Police Division's website at [www.newarkpublicsafety.org](http://www.newarkpublicsafety.org), or through our Smartphone App available at iTunes and Google Play. Search Newark Police Division to download the App.



**Robbery**



**Robbery Vehicle – Hyundai Kona**



**Suspect exits Hyundai Kona**