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Police Seek Public's Help Locating Elizabeth Man Wanted for Robbery

Newark Public Safety Director Brian A. O'Hara seeks the public's help with locating Markeefe Grimes, 51, of Elizabeth, who is wanted for robbery when he brandished a knife and stole tools from Home Depot on April 21, 2022

Police responded to a call about shoplifting, which occurred around 10:54 a.m. at the home improvement retailer, located at 399 Springfield Avenue. A store representative told officers that he saw Grimes, who has stolen items in the past, concealing several socket wrench sets in a backpack. Grimes, when confronted by the store representative, pulled out a knife and left the store without paying for the items.

Known to frequent the 4th Precinct neighborhood, Grimes is described as 5'7" and 150 pounds with brown eyes, black hair and a light complexion. A warrant has been issued for his arrest.

Director O'Hara urges anyone with information about locating Grimes to call the Police 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.newarkpd.org or through our Smartphone App available at iTunes or on Google Play. Search Newark Police Division to download the App.



Markeefe Grimes

