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MCTXSheriff Arrest Four Females for Organized Crime

Beginning in December 2019, The Montgomery County Sheriff's Office began receiving multiple investigations involving thefts from purses from various businesses in Montgomery County. Detectives quickly discovered that in all the cases the victims were approached by the suspects who engaged them in some type of conversation while shopping.

The conversation distracted the victims who were asked for help, such as removing an item from a shelf. While distracted, another suspect would remove the victim's wallet from their purse and conceal it. The suspects would then leave and that store and go to another store to purchase items using the stolen credit cards. The targeted victims were typically elderly females who placed their purses in the shopping cart, leaving them vulnerable once distracted. MCSO has eight active cases on some or all of these suspects and PCT 3 Constables Office is investigating an additional case.

Detectives assigned the cases distributed flyers of the suspects to various businesses in The Woodlands area in an attempt to identify the suspects. As a result, on February 8, 2020, The Montgomery County Sheriff's Office received a call from employees of the Target store located at 1100 Lake Woodlands Dr. The Woodlands, TX. Target employees recognized the suspects from the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office flyer and notified the Sheriff's Office.

Deputies and Detectives arrived on the scene and continued their investigation.

As a result of this investigation, Detectives arrested Daquana Washington, Infant Wiltz, Twiana Washington, and Destini Berry for felony engaging in organized crime.

The suspects targeted victims at Walmart located at 3040 College Park The Woodlands, TX, Target Store located at 1100 Lake Woodlands, The Woodlands, TX, Kroger Store located at 6700 Woodlands Pkwy The Woodlands, TX, Kroger Store located at 4747 Research Forest The Woodlands, TX, Kroger Store located at 22030 Market Place New Caney, TX, and the Kroger Store located at 2301 Rayford Road, Spring, TX.

It is believed these suspects have committed similar crimes at businesses in Harris County's jurisdiction. The Harris County Sheriff's Office is investigating those cases as well. These cases are still under investigation and additional charges could be filed.

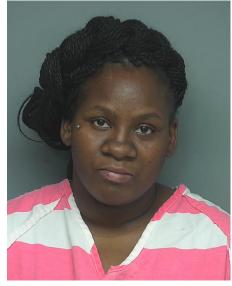
If you have any information regarding these crimes please contact the Montgomery County Sheriff's Office at 936-760-5800 or Multi-County Crime Stoppers at 1-800-392-STOP.



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