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### **Western Springs Police Investigate Aggravated Vehicular Hijacking Incident**

WESTERN SPRINGS, IL, February 10, 2017 – On 2/9/17 at 9:29 p.m., the Western Springs Police received a report of an alleged aggravated vehicular hijacking incident that occurred outside of a private residence located in the 4800 block of Fair Elms Avenue in Western Springs.

According to the 17 year-old female victim, two (2) unidentified male subjects exited an unknown white sedan that was parked on the street in front of her residence. The subjects walked up to her vehicle that was parked on her private driveway. The first offender approached the driver's side door and the second offender approached the passenger's side door, both displaying small black handguns. Offender #1 pointed a handgun at the victim and demanded her to exit the vehicle as he opened the door. Offender #1 then physically removed the victim from the vehicle by grabbing her left arm. Once the victim exited the vehicle, she proceeded to flee the area on foot to seek help without further incident. The victim did not suffer any injuries as a result of the encounter.

Both offenders entered the victim's vehicle and traveled north on Fair Elms Avenue towards 47<sup>th</sup> Street and continued in an unknown direction. The second vehicle, operated by an unknown accomplice, also traveled towards 47<sup>th</sup> Street in an undetermined direction.

Offender #1 was described as a male white, approximately 5'9" wearing a ski mask and a black sweatshirt. Offender #2 was described as a male African-American, approximately 5'9" wearing a gray sweatshirt. The occupant(s) in the accomplice's white sedan remains unidentified at this time. The stolen vehicle is a 2012 blue Jeep Grand Cherokee bearing an Illinois registration and has yet to be located.

The Western Springs Police will be conducting heightened residential patrol and the Western Springs Police is working closely with the Major Case Assistance Team as the investigation into this matter is ongoing.

If anyone has any information regarding this incident, please contact the Western Springs Police Department at 708-246-8540.

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