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**ELDERLY WOMEN ROBBED IN
CHURCH PARKING LOT**

*****Surveillance Footage Available for Media Pick-up in FLPD Lobby***
Still Photos of Suspects on Page 2 of Release**

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating a strong arm robbery that occurred on October 23rd, 2011, at approximately 10:35 A.M. The robbery took place in a church parking lot located at 2861 Northwest 19th Street in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Investigators learned that two elderly women (80 and 60 y.o.a) were walking into church, when two males approached them. One of the males proceeded to knock the 80 year old woman to the ground after he attempted to grab a gold chain from around her neck. Since he couldn't initially rip the chain from the woman's neck, he dragged her across the parking lot until the chain eventually snapped.

While the 80 year old woman was being robbed, the other male grabbed the chain hanging around the 60 year old woman's neck, which quickly snapped and fell down into her blouse. At which point the frustrated male pushed the woman to the ground, leaving the gold necklace behind.

After only successfully stealing one gold chain, the suspects fled the area. Both victims sustained minor injuries from the robbery.

Based upon witness statements and surveillance footage located at the church, and food mart across the street, detectives were able to identify the suspect who dragged the elderly victim across the parking lot. The suspect has been identified as Stephoen J. Young, B/M, 8/7/91, a Lauderhill resident. Detectives arrested Young on October 27th, 2011. Young is currently incarcerated at the Broward County Main Jail, having been charged with two counts of Strong Arm Robbery.

The second suspect has been described as a B/M, approximately 20 years of age, 5' 7" in height, and 130 pounds in weight. The suspect was last seen wearing a dark tank top and jean shorts.

Investigators are asking for the help of the public in identifying Young's partner in crime. Detectives are urging anyone with information regarding the identity of the second suspect in the strong arm robbery to contact Detective Darian Burkholder at 954-828-5101.



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