

CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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AGGRAVATED BATTERY

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating an aggravated battery that occurred this morning between 5:00 AM and 5:30 AM at 1310 Northwest 6 Street, Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Preliminary investigation has revealed that the victim walked to the corner store located at the above address to purchase some items. While the victim was walking to the store, an unknown black male, who was at this location by a pay phone, harassed her. The victim then left the location and went to her residence. Upon arrival, the victim notified her boyfriend what had happened to her at the store.

Shortly thereafter, the victim and her boyfriend returned to the convenience store. When they arrived at the store the suspect was still present with some friends and began to yell at the female victim again. The victims and the suspects became involved in a verbal dispute. The suspect then produced a can of pepper pray and he sprayed the female in the face. The boyfriend pulled his girlfriend out of the way and he also was sprayed with pepper spray in his face. The suspect then produced a firearm and pointed it at the male victim. The suspect fired two rounds at the male, striking him in the leg once. The suspect then fled on foot.

The victims were transported to Broward General Medical Center with non-life threatening injuries. The suspect has been decrsibed as a B/M, 24 years of age, 5'9", approximately 150 pounds. The suspect was wearing a black shirt and has short twists in his hair.

Anyone who has information in regards to this crime or who may have witnessed what occurred is encouraged to contact the Fort Lauderdale Police Department at 954-828-5700 or Broward County Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS.

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