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ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY - BANK ROBBER 5310 EAST GRANT ROAD

*****UPDATE – DECEMBER 10, 2013*****

Thanks to tips called in to 88-Crime and some quick investigative follow-up, the female suspect, who robbed the Wells Fargo Bank located at 5310 East Grant Road on the afternoon of December 9, 2013, was identified and located. She has been identified as 24-year old Kera Lynn Thornsberry. She was located and taken into custody at a motel in the 1100 block of North Stone Avenue on the evening of December 9, 2013. Ms. Thornsberry has been charged with 1 count of Robbery, a felony offense, in relation to the bank robbery incident. In addition, it was discovered that the vehicle she had been driving as she left the bank robbery scene was a stolen vehicle. As such, she was additionally charged with 1 count of Theft of Means of Transportation, a felony offense. The vehicle has not yet been located. Ms. Thornsberry was transported and booked into the Pima County Jail. For investigative reasons, a booking photograph is not yet available for release.

Sergeant Maria Hawke – December 10, 2013

The Tucson Police Department seeks public assistance with identifying a female bank robber. On the afternoon of December 9, 2013, officers from Operations Division Midtown responded to the Wells Fargo Bank located at 5310 East Grant Road in order to initiate an investigation regarding a bank robbery that had occurred at that location. Upon arrival, the officers confirmed that no one had been hurt during the course of the robbery incident, and the suspect had fled prior to their arrival.

Detectives from the Robbery Unit responded to further the investigation. Their preliminary investigation indicated that an unknown adult female entered the bank and approached the teller counter. While at the teller counter, the female advised the teller that the bank was being robbed and demanded that she be given money. The female suspect was given an undisclosed amount of money, which she put into a brown purse that she was carrying. Immediately after she was given the money, the female suspect exited the bank and got into the driver's seat of a vehicle. She then drove out of the parking lot of the bank and fled in an unknown direction.

The female bank robbery suspect has been described as a Caucasian female, approximately 25 years of age, 5'08" tall, weighing approximately 130 pounds, with dirty blond hair. She was last seen wearing a brown hat, brown jacket with

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light colored fleece lining, a white and brown striped shirt, blue jean cut of shorts, and brown boots. The vehicle she was driving was described as a white 2005 Chrysler Sebring convertible with a black top. Anyone having information regarding the identity of the female suspect or her whereabouts is urged to call 911 or 88-Crime. Photographs obtained from surveillance footage at the bank are included below.

