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THEFT / SHOPLIFTING ARREST MISSING FIREARM

*****UPDATE – MARCH 6, 2014*****

The Tucson Police Department service weapon that was reported missing on March 3, 2014 at 12:00 p.m., was recovered on March 5, 2014 at 5:30 p.m. The investigation is ongoing at this time.

Sergeant Chris Widmer – March 6, 2014

On March 3, 2014, at approximately 12:00 p.m., an officer was flagged down at the Safeway located at 1551 West Saint Mary's Road regarding what was initially reported as a purse snatching incident. A description of the suspect was broadcasted to responding officers. One of those officers located a suspect matching the description near the intersection of Saint Mary's Road and Westmoreland Avenue. The suspect immediately fled on foot as the officer attempted to make contact. Officers chased the suspect over 1/8th of a mile through residential yards and climbing over several walls before taking him into custody in the 500 block of North Shawnee Avenue.

Officers confirmed that the suspect detained was involved in the incident. Their investigation determined that the suspect had shoplifted an item from inside of the Safeway store. The victim was in front of the store and briefly set her purse down. As the suspect exited the Safeway, he grabbed the victim's purse and ran off. He was identified as 18-year old Adrian Pride. He was booked into the Pima County Jail for 1 count of shoplifting and 1 count of theft. A booking photograph is included below.

Following the foot chase, one of the officers noticed that his service weapon had been dislodged from his holster and was now missing. Officers immediately began retracing the path of the foot chase but the weapon was not located. An extensive search was initiated which lasted throughout the day. The efforts to locate the weapon were exhausted and it was not located. The weapon is a Glock 22 Gen4, 40 caliber with an affixed StreamLight tactical light, serial number RVS121. A photograph of a similar weapon is included below. Given the public safety concern over the loss of our weapon and the need to gain the public's help in locating it, we are asking anyone with information contact 911 or 88-CRIME.

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Glock 22 Gen4, 40 Caliber
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