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ARREST OF SERIAL ROBBERY SUSPECTS

At approximately 4:32 a.m. on October 30, 2011, the Tucson Police Department received several 911 phone calls indicating that a carjacking incident had occurred near the intersection of East Adams and North Bentley. Officers from Operations Division Midtown responded to the area to conduct the initial investigation. They learned that four adult females were leaving a residential Halloween party in the area. As they approached their vehicle, described as a **white 2004 Chrysler Sebring Convertible**, three Hispanic males walked up to them. The males showed them handguns, but did not point the guns at them, and demanded that they give them the keys to the vehicle and their personal belongings (wallets/purses and cellular telephones). The victims complied, and the suspects left in the vehicle. It was last seen driving northbound on North Bentley. None of the victims were injured during the incident. The suspects and vehicle were not located at that time.

Later in the day, at approximately 7:17 p.m., the owner of the El Kora Hotdog Stand located near the intersection of South 6th Avenue and West Bilby Road called 911 to report that he had been robbed at gunpoint. Officers from Operations Division South responded to interview the victim. He indicated that a white Chrysler Sebring Convertible drove up to the hotdog stand and came to a stop. Two Hispanic male suspects exited the car. One of them pointed a handgun directly at him and demanded his money and personal belongings. He gave them an undisclosed amount of money. The males got back into the vehicle, which was last seen heading northbound on South 6th Avenue. It was reported that there were possibly other occupants in the vehicle as well. The victim was not injured during the incident.

Approximately 1-½ hours later, at 8:50 p.m., the Tucson Police Department received a 911 call regarding a carjacking incident that occurred near the intersection of South 12th Avenue and West 39th Street. Again, officers from Operations Division South responded to conduct the initial investigation. They learned that two adult male victims had been hanging out at their vehicle near that intersection when a white Chrysler Sebring Convertible drove up to them. Two Hispanic male suspects exited the Chrysler and demanded that the victims give them the keys to their vehicle, described as a **dark gray 2005 Nissan Altima**, as well as their personal belongings (wallets/money and cellular telephones). One of the males was armed with a handgun, which he showed to the victims, but did not point at them. The victims complied and were not injured. For accommodations; materials in accessible formats; foreign language interpreters; and/or materials in a language other than English, please contact the Tucson Police Department Public Information Office at (520) 791-4852 or (520) 791-2639 for TDD at least five (5) business days in advance. Para arreglos; materiales en formatos accesibles; interpretes de idioma extranjero; y/o materiales en otro idioma que no sea inglés, por favor comunicarse al Departamento de la Policía de Tucson a la sección de Información Pública al (520) 791-4852 o (520) 791-2639 para TDD por lo menos con cinco (5) días hábiles de anticipación.

One of the male suspects got into the driver's seat of the Nissan and drove it away, while the other returned to the Chrysler and drove it from the scene. The Nissan was located a short while later. It had been abandoned in a parking lot near the intersection of South 12th Avenue and West Ajo Way.

At approximately 9:30 p.m. on October 30, 2011, officers from Operations Division South located the Chrysler Sebring Convertible driving in the area of East Irvington Road and South 6th Avenue. Officers attempted to initiate a traffic stop on the vehicle, but it did not come to a stop. A short vehicle pursuit ensued, with officers following the vehicle until the vehicle was involved in a collision near the intersection of South Belmar Avenue and West District Street. Officers quickly detained two of the males from the vehicle. However, a third male suspect ran away on foot. The Tucson Police Department Air Unit responded to assist and located the male suspect that had fled in the nearby neighborhood. He was subsequently taken into custody. Detectives from the Night Detectives Unit responded to assist and further the investigations.

Ultimately, the male suspects were identified as **26-year old Axel Jaimez, 18-year old Robert Cota, and 21-year old Olivaz Cruz**. They were arrested for **various robbery-related and auto theft-related charges (all felonies)**. They have been transported and booked into the Pima County Jail. Their booking photographs will not be released at this time for investigative reasons.

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