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TEEN ARRESTED FOLLOWING MULTIPLE CARJACKINGS

SUFFOLK, VA (May 4, 2021)   Suffolk Police have arrested a teen following a carjacking and subsequent vehicle pursuit that occurred earlier this morning, Tuesday, May 4, 2021.

Emergency Communications was contacted at 10:28 a.m. advising of the incident that occurred in the 400 block of Bank Street when the subject stole a vehicle at gunpoint. There were no injuries. A witness was able to provide a vehicle and subject description, and a pursuit by Suffolk Police ensued, with the pursuit eventually ending on Interstate-64 in Chesapeake near the Military Highway exit. After stopping the vehicle, the subject attempted to flee from police on foot and was quickly apprehended. A gun was also recovered.

The subject, a 16-year-old male from Suffolk, was taken into custody without further incident. Following their investigations, the subject was also charged with multiple other recent carjacking incidents, including one on April 22, 2021, that occurred at 12:20 p.m. in the 100 block of Maury Place; another on May 1, 2021, at 9:07 p.m. in the 1100 block of Fairgrounds Lane; and another on May 2, 2021, at 11:19 a.m. in the 200 block of Spruce Street. A firearm was also brandished in each of these incidents, and no victims were injured.

The teen is facing a multitude of charges, including Use of a Firearm in Commission of a Felony (4 counts); Armed Robbery (4 counts); Grand Larceny (4 counts); Possession of Stolen Vehicle (5 counts). The investigations remain ongoing at this time, and additional charges may be filed.

Virginia State Code prohibits law enforcement from identifying juveniles charged with a criminal offense.

A Detention Order has been requested, and the teen will be remanded to the custody of the Juvenile Detention Center in Chesapeake.

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