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### POLICE INVESTIGATING STRONG ARMED ROBBERY

SUFFOLK, VA (May 14, 2018) Suffolk Police are investigating a strong armed robbery that occurred Saturday, May 12, 2018 at the Rite Aid located in the 1500 block of Holland Road. Emergency Communications was notified of a report of an armed robbery at 7:41 p.m.

Upon preliminary investigation, it was found that a black male entered the business, selected merchandise, and approached a store clerk. While speaking the clerk, the suspect presented a knife, demanded money, and then left the store without paying for the merchandise. No money was taken. The subject left the store on foot, walked toward the McDonald's parking lot next door and left the area in a four-door dark colored vehicle. There were no injuries as a result of the incident.

The suspect was described as a black male, approximately 6 foot tall, wearing dark colored clothing and a large straw hat.

Suffolk Police believe the suspect is the same person as the one wanted for the armed robbery of the Dollar General, located in the 200 block of Wilroy Road, on Thursday, May 10, 2018. The investigation into both incidents remains ongoing at this time and no further information is available for release.

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Anyone with information is asked to contact Suffolk Police or Suffolk Crime Line. To submit online, go to [www.p3tips.com](http://www.p3tips.com), visit the Suffolk Police Department website ([www.suffolkva.us/spd](http://www.suffolkva.us/spd)) and look for the Suffolk Crime Line link, or go to the Suffolk Police Department Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/suffolkpolicedepartment](http://www.facebook.com/suffolkpolicedepartment). You can also call 888-LOCK-U-UP, 1-888-562-5887, Option 5. Once a person submits a tip, they will be given a TIP ID and password. With this information they can login at p3tips.com and submit follow-up information, engage in two-way dialogue, be informed of the outcome of the tip, and access any pertinent reward information.

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