



Bureau of Detectives – Area Central

Community Alert



**Alert #P17-1-064CA
March 17, 2017**

ROBBERY 001st District (Central)

About the Crime:

This alert gives notice to citizens residing in the 001st (Central) District of robbery related incidents during the month of March. Three to four offenders are approaching citizens on the sidewalk or on the CTA Red Line train. One offender asks the victim a distracting question, then punches the victim in the face multiple times. Co-offenders then go into the victim's coat and pants pockets, removing cell phones and wallets. Offenders then flee on foot. These incidents have occurred during the nighttime hours in the general geographical locations listed below:

Incident times and locations:

- 100 block of S. State St. on 15 March 2017 at 11:20 PM
- 100 block of W. Adams St. on 17 March 2017 at 1:25 AM
- 100 block of W Van Buren St. on 17 March 2017 at 1:49 AM

About the offenders:

- Male, Black, 18-26, 5'09 to 6'00, 175-200, black hooded sweatshirt
- Male, Black, 20-25, 5'09 -6'00, black jacket
- Male, Black, 18-25, 170-180, white bomber jacket

What you can do:

- Always be aware of your surroundings
- Report suspicious activity immediately
- If you are confronted by an assailant remain calm
- Remember any unique physical characteristics (scars, limp, acne, teeth, etc.)
- Never pursue a fleeing assailant, provide the information to the police
- If approached by a witness to the incident, request contact information
- Dial 9-1-1 immediately and remain on scene when possible

**If you have any information
Contact the Bureau of Detectives – Area Central
(312) 747-8384**

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