



# NEWS RELEASE

## HOWARD COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF POLICE OFFICE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

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### **Columbia Mall Carjacking Suspect Arrested**

Howard County Police Detectives charge suspect in carjacking/robbery case from Dec.27 incident on the Columbia Mall parking lot.

Rudy Alfredo Carpio-Vasquez, 31, of 5914 Setter Drive in Elkridge, Md., has been charged with carjacking, robbery, false imprisonment, and other charges. Carpio-Vasquez was caught on store surveillance tapes using the victim's debit card shortly after the initial incident.

Carpio-Vasquez was observed walking by a police sergeant, and identified. Carpio-Vasquez was armed with a knife at the time he was arrested.

The Office of Public Affairs will re-open at 0800 hrs on Friday morning.

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