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## HOWARD COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF POLICE OFFICE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

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### **Police Investigating Multiple Armed Robberies** *Suspects May Be Linked to Nearly 20 Cases in the Region*

Howard County Police are investigating three robberies detectives believe are linked to nearly 20 cases in the region. Investigators are working with police in neighboring jurisdictions to identify the armed robbers in these cases.

In the first Howard County case Oct. 15, the two suspects entered a Highs store in the 3000 block of Rogers Ave. in Ellicott City. Both suspects were wearing masks and one displayed a handgun. They took money from the store and fled. Police believe the same two suspects are responsible for a second robbery at the same store Oct. 31. They once again had their faces covered, displayed a handgun and took money. No one was injured in either incident.

In a similar case, a Shell gas station in the 8700 block of Washington Blvd. in Savage was robbed Nov. 1 by two men police believe are the same suspects. The suspects' faces were covered and one displayed a handgun. No one was injured.

Investigators see similarities between these three cases and numerous other robberies in Baltimore and Anne Arundel counties. While detectives cannot release specific details about the evidence in these cases, they are investigating the incidents as linked.

Anyone with information should call Howard County Police at (410) 313-3200.

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