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Police release photos from convenience store robbery series *Reward of up to \$1,500 offered for information*

Howard County Police are seeking the public's help in identifying a suspect wanted in connection with seven convenience store robberies in Elkridge, Laurel, and Ellicott City in recent months.

On Jan. 16 at approximately 2:07 a.m., a suspect, with his face partially covered, entered the Shell gas station in the 6200 block of Washington Blvd. in Elkridge, approached an employee, displayed a handgun and demanded money and cigarettes. The employee complied and the suspect fled. No one was injured.

Similar robberies occurred on Feb. 3 at the Shell station, Feb. 19 at the BP gas station in the 9900 block of Washington Blvd. in Laurel, Feb. 20 at the BP gas station in the 8700 block of Baltimore National Pike in Ellicott City, Feb. 21 at the International Food Market in the 8700 block of Town and Country Blvd. in Ellicott City, Feb. 25 at the 7-11 in the 6500 block of Washington Blvd. in Elkridge, and March 2 in the 7300 block of Washington Blvd. in Elkridge.

In each incident, a weapon was implied or displayed, including a handgun and a knife. In one incident, the victim received a facial injury after being struck by the suspect.

The suspect is described as a black male in his forties, approximately six feet tall. Detectives believe he may be responsible for all seven robberies.

Police are asking anyone with information to call (410) 313-STOP. A reward of up to \$1,500 is being offered for information.



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