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Investigators seek public's assistance to identify child annoyance suspect(s)

ALISO VIEJO, Calif. (Sept. 18, 2019) – Orange County Sheriff's investigators are seeking the public's help to identify suspect(s) involved in separate child annoyance incidents during the last week.

At approximately 9 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 12, deputies received a report that a 12-year-old female walking to Aliso Viejo Middle School was touched by a male suspect. The 12-year-old confronted the suspect and yelled at him before getting away. The victim went to school and reported the incident. Special Victim's Detail investigators responded, along with a sketch artist. The investigation is ongoing.

The victim described the suspect as a man, possibly Caucasian, in his early 30s, dirty blond hair and a goatee. The suspect was wearing sunglasses and was dressed in all-black clothing.

At approximately 4 p.m. on Tuesday, Sept. 17, deputies received a report that a 16-year-old female walking home from Aliso Niguel High School along the Aliso Creek Hiking Trail was touched by a male suspect.

As the victim was walking, the suspect pulled on her skirt. The victim slapped the suspect's hand away, ran back home and reported the incident. The suspect ran off in an unknown direction. Special Victim's Detail investigators responded, along with a sketch artist. The investigation is ongoing.

The victim described the suspect as a man, possibly Hispanic, between 30 and 40 years old, 5'6", 140 pounds, and short black hair. The suspect was wearing sunglasses and was dressed in a black collared shirt and tan cargo pants.

Investigators are working to determine if the incidents are connected.

If you or your child are the victim of a similar crime, immediately get to a safe area and call 9-1-1.

Anyone with information they believe may assist the investigation is asked to contact the Orange County Sheriff's Department at 714-647-7419, or submit an anonymous tip to OC Crime Stoppers at 855-TIP-OCCS (855-847-6227) or at occrimestoppers.org.

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