

Subject: Safety Notification – Robbery – Near Uptown Campus
Offense: Robbery – Stolen Vehicle
Date: December 12, 2023

Content Warning: This notification includes information pertaining to robbery, taking of property without consent, and violence.

On December 12, 2023, Tulane University Police Department was made aware of the following incident:

The victim reported while getting gas and cleaning out her vehicle at a gas station located at 6201 S. Claiborne Ave, an unknown suspect entered the driver's seat of the vehicle. The victim attempted to retrieve the vehicle's key fob from the passenger side of the vehicle. The victim reported the suspect pushed her in an attempt to gain control of the vehicle's key. After a brief altercation, the victim exited the vehicle, and the suspect drove away in the victim's vehicle.

Suspect description as provided by the victim: a tall black male in his late teens/early twenties. The suspect was described as wearing all black, including a plain hoodie, patterned pants, and a bandana over the lower half of the face.

Vehicle description as provided by the victim: BMW X5, 4-door SUV, champagne color, possibly a 2016 model

Please Remember These Safety Tips:

1. Be especially alert when stopped at intersections, gas stations, ATMs and convenience stores.
2. Beware of individuals approaching your vehicle to ask for directions, hand out flyers, ask for money, or ask for a ride.
3. Trust your instincts. If you feel unsafe and can do so, get to a safe place and call for help.
4. Do not leave your car running unattended with the key in the ignition. Always keep your vehicle's key on your person when exiting the vehicle.

Never leave valuables in plain sight; lock your car and take the keys.

If you have any additional information about this incident, please contact TUPD at 504-865-5381.

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