



Wheat Ridge Police arrest juvenile suspect in connection with two gas station burglaries, continue to pursue leads in other burglaries

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Wheat Ridge, Colorado – Wheat Ridge Police have arrested a juvenile suspect in connection with two separate burglaries at the Diamond Shamrock gas station located at 6601 W. 44th Avenue. The suspect was booked on two counts of second degree burglary and taken to Mountain View Youth Services Center.

The first incident took place on October 22, 2015 at approximately 2:25 a.m. and cigarettes and cash were taken. The second incident took place on December 1, 2015 at approximately 2:10 a.m. Both times, the front glass door was broken with a rock.

The Wheat Ridge Police Department has increased patrols in commercial areas in response to burglaries at businesses occurring primarily in the overnight hours and has shared crime prevention tips with the business community. Wheat Ridge businesses can receive a free security assessment from the department's [Crime Prevention Unit](#); and, businesses can register their emergency contact information with the police department through [S.E.C.U.R.E.](#) For more information, please call 303-235-2910.

The police department urges business owners to report any suspicious activity to the police by calling (303) 237-2220. Always dial 911 for emergencies or to report crimes in process.

Tips for Business Owners

- Report suspicious activity around your business or a business near yours, even if you just have a "gut feeling" that something may be wrong.
- Do not leave cash in your business overnight. Keep your cash register in plain view from the outside of your business, so it can be monitored by police during the day or night. Leave it open and empty after closing.
- Have a good line of sight in to your business: Keep windows clear and arrange your stock so that a burglar working in a far corner could be seen by someone walking by.
- Outside, have good lighting, particularly around windows and doors; trim trees and bushes so that they do not become hiding places for burglars.
- Make sure all outside entrances and inside security doors have deadbolt locks; make sure all windows lock and install burglar-resistant glass when possible.
- Consider using an alarm system and surveillance cameras. If you do, place decals on the door or windows. Run regular checks to make sure they work properly.

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