

San Diego County SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT

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Subject: Robbery at Giant Pizza King in Spring Valley

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SYNOPSIS:

On March 1, 2019 at about 1:19 PM, deputies from the Rancho San Diego (RSD) Sheriff's Station responded to an armed robbery that had occurred in front of the Giant Pizza King, located at 1029 Elkelton Blvd., in the unincorporated area of Spring Valley.

The suspects were described as two young black males, one wearing a red sweatshirt and one wearing a black sweatshirt. One of the suspects reportedly brandished a handgun and both males used physical force to take the victim's wallet and cell phone. Both subjects fled the scene on foot, running southbound on Elkelton Blvd. San Diego Police Department (SDPD) airship, ABLE responded to the area and observed two subjects matching the description in front of 732 Brookview St. They both discarded their sweatshirts, broke through a wooden fence/gate at the side of the residence and ran through the backyard. They jumped the back fence and entered the adjoining backyard at 737 Parkbrook St.

While deputies set up a perimeter, both subjects entered the back of the residence through an unlocked door at 737 Parkbrook St. The home was unoccupied at the time, as the resident just happened to be across the street with neighbors. Deputies called into the residence ordering the subjects to exit the home. Both subjects exited the home and were taken into custody without further incident.

One subject was identified as Tejon Smith (age 20). The other subject was identified as a juvenile (age 17). They declined to comment on the weapon or say where it was discarded. National City Police Department (NCPD) Officer and his K9 conducted an article search for the weapon. It was not located. Both subjects were arrested for Armed Robbery. Smith was later booked into San Diego Central Jail and the juvenile was taken to Juvenile Hall. The investigation is ongoing and is being handled by Rancho San Diego Sheriff's Detectives.

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