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Smyrna Police respond to 2 robberies in 2 days, make arrests in both cases.

On 12/29/15 at approx. 1926 hrs Smyrna Police responded to the area of N Main St and Providence Dr. for a reported armed robbery. SPD contacted a female Victim who advised that she had just been robbed by several Suspects who displayed handguns and removed her cell phone and US Currency. This Victim was brought back to the Smyrna Police Dept where Officers were able to begin tracking the cell phone stolen from the Victim. At approx. 2230 hrs Officers were notified that the cell phone was active in the area of the Gateway North shopping center (200 Stadium St, Smyrna). SPD officers responded and made contact with 5 juveniles in the area. While contacting these juveniles, SPD dispatch called the stolen cell phone. At this time, a phone in the pocket of one of these juveniles began ringing. This juvenile (later identified as a 15 year old from Smyrna) was taken into custody and transported back to SPD. The juvenile suspect was later charged with Robbery 1st degree, wearing a disguise during the commission of a Felony, Conspiracy 2nd degree, Offensive touching and Possession of a firearm during the commission of a Felony. The Suspect was arraigned in JP court #7 where he was released into the custody of his Mother on \$109,000 unsecured bond.

On 12/30/15 at approx. 1450 hrs Smyrna Police responded to the area of S Carter Rd and Villanova Dr for a report of an armed robbery. Upon arrival, Officers contacted the male victim and were advised that 4 Suspects had just robbed him of personal belongings at gun point. Officers began canvassing the area and located 4 Suspects matching the description. Upon contact, one of the Suspects ran from Police and was taken into custody after a brief foot chase. The other 3 Suspects were taken into custody without incident. The Victim confirmed to SPD that these 4 Suspects were the ones who had just robbed him. Officers located property belonging to the Victim on the Suspects' person. These 4 Suspects were later identified as a 14 year old, two 15 year olds and a 17 year old all from Smyrna and were brought back to SPD after being taken into custody. These Suspects were charged with Robbery 1st degree, Possession of a firearm during the commission of a felony, Conspiracy 2nd degree and Receiving stolen property. The Suspects were later presented before JP Court #7 and committed to the Stevenson House Detention Center in lieu of \$12,500 Secured bond (3 Suspects) and \$22,500 secured bond (4th Suspect).

Note: Suspects Names/Photographs withheld due to their Juvenile status.