



Hampton Police Division Media Release

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Suspects Arrested in Robbery Investigation: 1300 Block of West Queen Street

The Hampton Police Division has arrested and charged two suspects in reference to an incident that occurred on July 1, 2014.

The investigation revealed that at 5:37 p.m., Hampton Communications received a complaint of a robbery that had just occurred in the 1300 block of West Queen Street. Upon officer's arrival, they discovered that the victim, a 17-year-old Hampton male juvenile, was approached by unknown individuals, one of whom asked to use the victim's cell phone. When the victim requested his cell phone back the suspects brandished a firearm and fled on foot with the victim's phone towards the 1100 block of Lasalle Avenue. Descriptions of the suspects were quickly obtained and disseminated to responding officers. A short foot pursuit ensued and both suspects were quickly apprehended. The victim was not injured during the incident.

The first suspect has been identified as **Lavelle Amond Sweat**, an 18-year-old Hampton man that resides in the first block of Granger Drive. He has been charged with one count of Robbery and one count of Use of a Firearm in the Commission of a Felony and is currently in the custody of the Hampton Sheriff's Office. The second suspect, a 16-year-old Hampton male juvenile was arrested and charged with one count of Robbery and one count of Use of a Firearm in the Commission of a Felony. He is currently incarcerated at the Newport News Secure Detention.



LAVELLE SWEAT

Corporal Mary Shackelford will receive questions about this release

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