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### **Crime Stoppers Tip Leads to Serial Armed Robbery Arrest**

Tacoma, Wash. – From February 14, 2023 thru February 20, 2023, armed suspects robbed five different smoke shops within Tacoma and attempted to rob a victim at an ATM. The same suspects are linked to robberies of businesses in Pierce County, Sea Tac and Bellevue. In two of the Tacoma incidents, employees were struck in the head with the butt of a short-barreled rifle, causing one of the victims serious injuries.

During the investigation, Tacoma Police detectives shared images of the suspects to Crime Stoppers, requesting help from the public in identifying the suspects. Thanks to a tip from a community member, one of the suspects was identified as a 15-year-old male residing in Tacoma.

Yesterday, officers contacted the suspect at a Tacoma residence and took him into custody without incident.

The 15-year-old male was booked into Remann Hall for 7 counts of Robbery First Degree.

The investigation is ongoing. Anyone with information regarding these crimes is asked to call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS.

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