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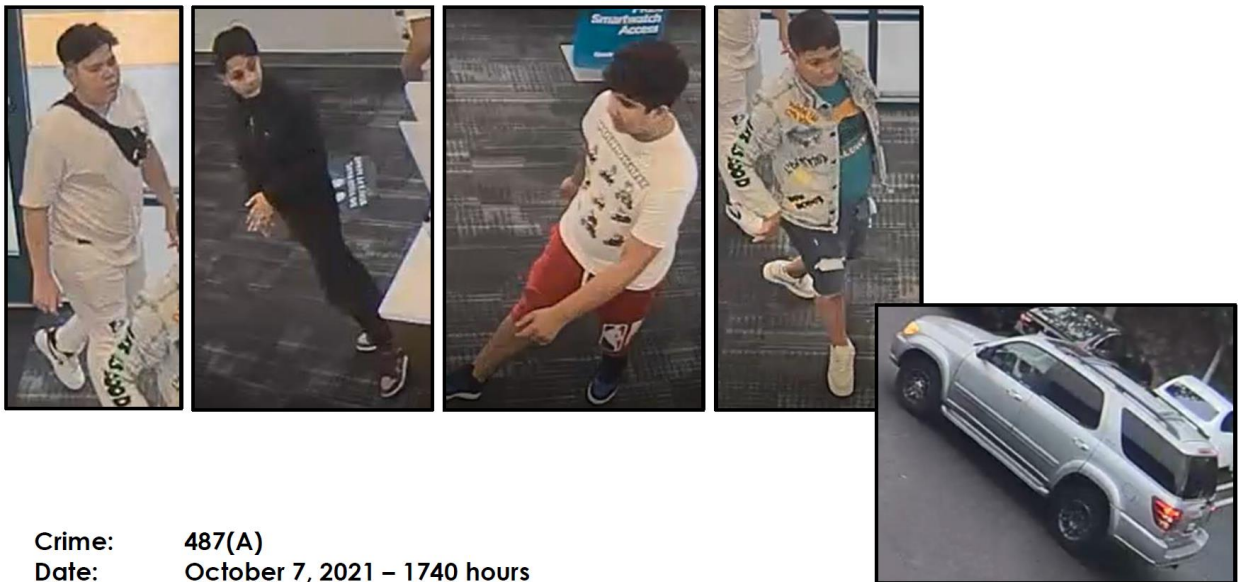
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BREA POLICE INVESTIGATING LOCAL ORGANIZED RETAIL CRIME RING



Crime: 487(A)
Date: October 7, 2021 – 1740 hours
Location: SPECTRUM – 2500 E Imperial Hwy

Brea, Calif. – At roughly 5:40 p.m. on Thursday, October 7, 2021, four unidentified suspects, believed to be in their late teens to late twenties, entered the Spectrum Store located at 2500 E. Imperial, Brea, CA 92821. Over the course of approximately 17 minutes, the suspects stole several personal electronic devices by using tools to remove the display security anchors. The total loss in this incident was nearly \$4,000.

These same suspects committed similar thefts at the Fullerton Spectrum Store (1437 S. Harbor Blvd., Ste. 14, Fullerton, CA 92832) on June 22, 2021 and October 7, 2021, and the Ontario Spectrum Store (1 Mills Circ. Unit 604-1, Ontario, CA 91764) on October 10, 2021.

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In all four incidents, the suspects entered the store together and worked in concert – taking turns to distract store employees while the others removed the devices. During the incident in Brea, the suspects were seen leaving in the pictured vehicle, believed to be a silver 2002 Toyota Sequoia.

Anyone with additional information is asked to contact Detective Todd Schmaltz at the Brea Police Department at 714-990-7185 or ToddS@cityofbrea.net and reference case # 2110-0828.

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