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INFORMATION RELEASE

The Rockford Police Department took several Residential Burglary reports in the past ten days. Most of the Residential Burglaries occurred in and around the Rolling Green area and at least one Attempted Residential Burglary in and around Ridge Avenue north of Custer Avenue.

The suspects in all the incidents appear to be the same and the way they are committing the crimes are the same. In each of the Residential Burglaries there are two white male suspects both in their late 20's or early 30's. One of the white males approaches the homeowner and engages in conversation about wanting to do yard work or other household work the homeowner may need done. It is obvious from prior incidents that the first suspect talking with the homeowner is distracting the homeowner to provide time for a second suspect to enter the home and steal items of value. The second suspect is usually not with the first and the homeowner is unaware of the second suspect until they are seen together leaving the area. The homeowner usually doesn't realize they were victimized until hours later. The incidents take minutes to occur.

Detectives are working all the cases and are making progress, however this information release is being put out to notify residents of the way the suspects are committing the crimes. If anyone comes in contact with a potential suspect they are urged to call police immediately.

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