TIPS TO REMEMBER WHEN REPORTING A CRIME

1) Call the Local Police Department - Emergency Telephone Number is 911. It is appropriate to call 911 if you suspect that a crime is about to occur. The non-emergency # is (404) 373-6551.

2) Provide Physical Description of Suspect:
   - Race
   - Gender
   - Height
   - Weight
   - Age
   - Hairstyle or Facial Hair
   - Clothing Description

   Physical and Clothing descriptions are extremely important… the more detailed the better!!

3) Advise suspect’s direction of travel after leaving the scene. Did the suspect leave on foot, in a car, or on Marta? Also try to get a description and tag number if the suspect leaves the scene in a vehicle.

   This kind of information helps the police track and catch criminals fast!!

   As a citizen you assist the police in their attempts to apprehend criminals before and after a crime occurs. Learn to trust your instincts and develop keen observation skills. This can help you avoid becoming a victim and make you the witness that solve or prevent crimes.

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