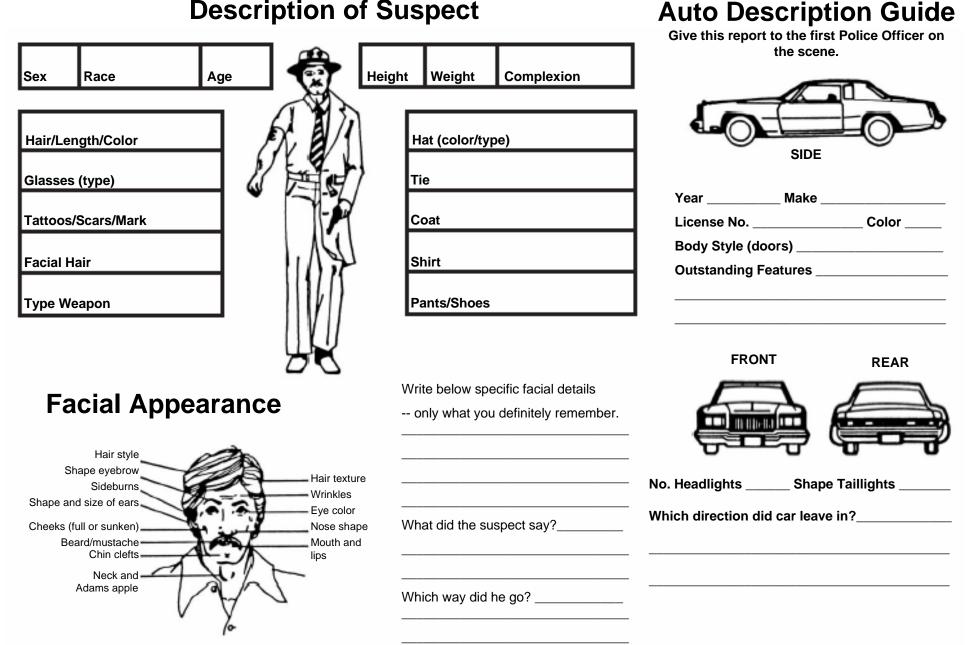
Description of Suspect



9-1-1 · Stay on the Telephone · Don't Hang Up



REPORTING SUSPICIOUS ACTIVITY



Many crimes can be prevented by reporting suspicious activity to the police non-emergency number at 777-3333. Crime prevention is more than just a police officer's job. It's the responsibility of all of us who live, work and do business in Oakland. When you see a crime in progress do not hesitate to call the police 9-1-1 or 777-3211 the seven digit emergency number. Give the location, details of the activity, and a complete description of the person(s) involved.

The following information may help you determine what kind of activity should be reported to the police.

SUSPICIOUS PERSON

A suspicious person is anyone who loiters in your neighborhood, place of business or someone going door-to-door. The person may be male or female dressed in any manner, of any age, race, color or cultural background.

Frequent visitors coming and going from a particular house, apartment or street corner especially at odd hours on a daily or regular basis could indicate illegal drug activity. You can call the drug hotline, **238-DRUG** to report what you have observed. Your information will be recorded on an answering machine. You **do not** have to leave your name or address. Hotline messages are reviewed daily.

Never invite a stranger into your home without asking for identification, even if the person is dressed in a company uniform. Ask all salespersons and repair people for their identification. Call the company to verify if you did not personally request their service.

- Do not accept the phone number they give you, look it up in your telephone book or call information.
- Do not accept excuses or sales pitches such as, "this is a one time offer or free gift with purchase.
- Do not let a stranger into your home to use the telephone even if they say it's an emergency, you make the
- Call the police to report a stranger at your door.
- Do not get involved with anyone who asks you to show "good faith money."
- Do not purchase property from someone on the street. If the sale price sounds to good to be true, it usually is. Often these items will be stolen property.

SUSPICIOUS VEHICLES

Record the license plate number and/or description of any unfamiliar cars parked in your neighborhood and alert your neighbors.

Be alert for cars cruising or circling you block. They may be driven by a burglar looking for any easy targets or opportunity.

Frequent car traffic/occupant visits for short periods of time to a house, apartment or street corner could indicate drug activity.