

The Hanover County Sheriff's Office is investigating an unusual break-in where 34 handguns were stolen last night.

The Hanover County Sheriff's Office is currently investigating a break-in to Green Top Sporting Goods where 34 handguns were stolen. Today, at approximately 12:30 a.m., the Sheriff's Office responded to an alarm call at Green Top Sporting Goods, which is located at 10193 Washington Highway. Within three minutes after receiving the alarm call, deputies arrived on scene at the business and discovered that forced entry had been made. After an exhaustive search of the area by the Hanover County Sheriff's Office and several other area law enforcement agencies, the suspects were unable to be located.

The handguns stolen in this incident were taken from locked glass cases in the front of the store, which were broken by the suspects involved in this case. The guns stolen were .357, .380, .40, .44, .45, and .50 caliber semi-automatic weapons. After a review of the security video provided by Green Top officials, the suspects (shown below) involved in this case were wearing clothing that concealed most areas of their bodies, which makes it more difficult to provide an accurate suspect description in this case.

"It is always of great concern to me when any of our local businesses are broken into, but this is particularly concerning as it involves a large quantity of weapons that are now illegally in the hands of criminals and not in the hands of law abiding citizens. However, I am fully confident in the efforts of all involved in this case, which coupled with the assistance of those in the community, will bring this incident to a successful conclusion," said Colonel V. Stuart Cook, Sheriff.

While members of the Sheriff's Office will work tirelessly to solve this case, the Sheriff's Office also needs the community's help in identifying these suspects in order to bring this case to a swift resolution. The Sheriff's Office encourages anyone with information on this incident, *no matter how seemingly small or insignificant*, to report it immediately by calling the Sheriff's Office at 804-365-6140 or the Metro Richmond Crime Stoppers at 804-780-1000.



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