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MICHAEL D. AVERY, Chief of Police

Press Release

DATE: Wednesday, December 13, 2006
INCIDENT: **Armed Robbery**
LOCATION: **Alvord Street Market**
SUSPECT: **Jeffrey Strong Jr. DOB 12-21-86**

On the above date at approximately 2017 hrs, RPD officers responded to an armed robbery at the Alvord St. Market. On scene investigation revealed that the suspect had entered the store concealing his face and armed with a rifle. He forced the store clerk to give him the money from the register and then fled the scene. Responding RPD officers spotted the suspect as he jumped a fence into the back yard of a nearby residence. The officers were able to contain him inside a two block perimeter and awaited the arrival of their K9 officer. During the search of the perimeter with the police dog, the suspect tried to flee the scene. He was stopped by RPD Officer Dan Armogida just outside of the officer's perimeter. The suspect tried to flee from Armogida and a struggle ensued. The suspect was ultimately taken into custody. He was found to be in possession of a loaded, collapsible rifle as well as the money he had taken from the Market. He was booked locally and held on bail in excess of \$70,000.00

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