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LCSO Investigating Robbery in Online Sale

Tuesday night, Leon County Sheriff's deputies responded to the 1600 block of Rawhide Ridge in reference to a robbery.

Once on scene, deputies determined the victim had posted a cell phone for sale on a mobile phone app. She received a message from a potential buyer wanting to meet her in the area of Rawhide Ridge.

When she arrived in the area, she was unable to locate the address given. When she tried to contact the person through the app, a black male walked out of the woods and waved her down. He asked about the phone and, when she showed it to him, he grabbed the phone, shoved the victim, and ran away with the phone.

The suspect is described as a black male in his 20's wearing a grey shirt and long dark colored pants. His hair was cut short. If you have any information in reference to this investigation please call the Sheriff's Office at 850-606-3300.

LCSO would like to remind you, if you are selling items to an unknown person via the internet, there are some important things you can do to protect yourself.

1. Meet in a safe, well lit area. Meeting at places, like the Leon County Sheriff's Office, will help weed out potential criminals.
2. Don't meet anyone alone. Take someone with you in case there is an issue.
3. Trust your instincts. If it doesn't feel safe, do not go or continue.
4. Don't invite people to your home or accept an invitation to go into theirs.
5. If you have any questions or concerns, call LCSO

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