

## Crime Stoppers News Release



### **WHAT: Armed Suspect Sought in Aggravated Robbery**

Crime Stoppers and investigators with the Harris County Sheriff's Office are searching for the suspect in an aggravated robbery at an area smoke shop.

On Monday, January 23, 2012 at approximately 11:40 pm, an unknown suspect committed an aggravated robbery at a smoke shop located on the 5200 block of Easthampton in Harris County. The unknown black suspect entered the store and inquired about the purchase of a scale. As a store employee approached the counter, the suspect withdrew a pistol and demanded cash from the registers. The victim, in fear for his life, complied with the suspect's demands and surrendered an undisclosed amount of cash. Additionally, the suspect filled a plastic bag with several boxes of tobacco products and weight scales. He ordered the store employees to lay face down as he fled the scene in a maroon, four-door Toyota.

The suspect is described as a black male, approximately 20-25 years old, 5'7"-5'8", weighing 160-180 lbs. He had a goatee and a clear stone earring. At the time of the offense, the suspect wore a gray colored hoodie with black/white/red stripes, jeans and tennis shoes.

Anyone with information about the identity of the suspect(s) is asked to contact Crime Stoppers of Houston at (713) 222-TIPS (8477).

Crime Stoppers will pay up to \$5,000 for any information called in to the 713-222-TIPS (8477) or submitted online at [www.crime-stoppers.org](http://www.crime-stoppers.org) that leads to the filing of felony charges or arrest of the suspect(s) in this case. Tips can also be sent by text message. Text TIP610 plus your tip to CRIMES (274637). All tipsters remain anonymous.