

# Troopers Investigating Armed Robbery – Newark



**Newark (19702)** – Delaware State Police are investigating a robbery involving a handgun, which took place in the parking lot of a Newark area shopping center.

The incident occurred at approximately 3:26 p.m., Tuesday, December 12, 2017, in the parking lot of the DSW shoe store, located at 2600 Fashion Center Boulevard, Newark, as a 61 year old, Salem, NJ woman, was attempting to enter her vehicle.

The victim had just opened her driver's door, when she was approached from behind by a subject, who struck her in the head, in turn, knocking her into the side of the vehicle. The suspect then displayed a black handgun, and threatened to kill the victim, as he snatched her purse. After obtaining the purse, the suspect entered into the front passenger seat of an awaiting vehicle, which then fled the scene. The victim

sustained a contusion to her forehead as a result of the incident, however she declined medical treatment.

The suspect is described as a black male, 30-40 years of age, 6'00", 200 lbs., wearing a black jacket, knit hat and armed with a black, unknown make and model handgun.

The suspect vehicle was described as a black, newer model Dodge Charger, with a white license plate. The driver of the vehicle could only be described as a black male.

No video is available at this time.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact Detective T. Dukes of the Troop 2 Robbery Unit, at 302-365-8412. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>

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