## ROSEVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## Roseville Police Seeking Public's Help with Bias-Motivated Crimes

The Roseville Police Department is looking for help from the public to identify the suspects responsible for several bias-motivated crimes. The incidents have occurred over the past month near the 1900 block of County Road B. Each reported incident involved criminal activity targeting a resident's Black Lives Matter and other social justice signs. In addition to reports of damaged and stolen signs, there have been four separate reports of dead raccoons placed nearby. The most recent report from the morning of July 12, 2020, involved a dead raccoon nailed to a utility post near the signs on County Road B.

In a June 25th incident, the Roseville Police Department identified a suspect who admitted he damaged the sign because he found it offensive. The 55 year-old Roseville male is facing misdemeanor criminal damage to property charges. Detectives are continuing to investigate if he was involved in any of the other cases and whether the crimes are connected.

The Roseville Police Department is asking for the public's help in identifying a male and female responsible for a theft of the signs on June 19 at 5:05 p.m. The vehicle involved was a black Dodge pickup truck that appeared to have an exercise machine in its bed.





Suspects in theft of signs on June 19, 2020

The Roseville Police Department is proud to serve a community that displays an immense passion for social justice. We will not tolerate crimes motivated by bias or hate. As the police department continues its investigation, we are committed to seeking justice and preventing any further trauma to our community.

Detectives are asking anyone with information to call the Roseville Police Department at 651-792-7008. Online tips may be submitted at <a href="https://www.cityofroseville.com/3194/Crime-Tips">www.cityofroseville.com/3194/Crime-Tips</a>.

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