



# South Vancouver Community Policing Centre in partnership with the Vancouver Police

The South Vancouver Community Policing Centre is a non profit organization with a mandate to reach out to and educate local residents on crime prevention methods and strategies. And through our Centre's "MOBILE OFFICE PROJECT" we are hoping to bring our resources to your DOOR STEPS. Today, volunteers of this new project tried to pay you a visit to provide you with information about our organization, the programs and services we and the VPD offer and to give you an update on recent criminal activity affecting your neighbourhood.

\*\*\*\*\* **CRIME ALERT** \*\*\*\*\*  
**Sexual Assault**

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**Location:** 6200block of Knight Street (at E. 47<sup>th</sup> Ave.)

**Date of Offence:** February 11<sup>th</sup>, at 10:00 p.m.

**Synopsis:** A 13 year old girl was waiting at a bus stop when a man walked up beside her and started talking to her. He then grabbed her by the shoulders and forcibly kissed her on the cheek and groped her. He was with another man who was not involved in the assault. She was able to run away from them and reported what happened as soon as she arrived home. Although visibly shaken by what happened, she was otherwise unhurt.

**Suspect Description:** A male suspect is described being in his 20s, 5'5" tall, medium skin colour, very short hair or balding, and with facial hair stubble. He was wearing a dark-coloured toque, black leather jacket and blue jeans.

**Anyone who may have witnessed the assault or has information pertaining to this case is asked to call the Vancouver Police Sex Crimes Unit at 604-717-3473.**

**General Tips for Personal Safety**

- Stay alert, stand tall and be confident.
- Use well-lit streets, stay to the middle of the sidewalk and avoid alleyways.
- Approach shadowy doorways, shrubbery, or anything that someone could hide behind with extra caution.
- If you feel uneasy walking alone, find someone you know who will go out with you, or plan your route along busy streets so that there are always people around you.
- If you think someone is following you, cross the street and turn to walk in the opposite direction to get a good look at them and then alert the authorities from the nearest place.
- If you think a car is following you, immediately do a U turn, take note of the driver and license plate number, continue to walk in the opposite direction and call the authorities from the nearest possible location.
- Carry a whistle or personal safety alarm to alert others if you are attacked. If you have to scream for help, try yelling "fire" to get people's attention as opposed to yelling "help."

For complete list of tips, visit [www.vpd.ca](http://www.vpd.ca)

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**Thank you for your cooperation!**