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East Bremerton bank robbery

East Bremerton, Wash. -- Kitsap County Sheriff's detectives, working in conjunction with special agents of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), are investigating an early afternoon robbery of a Central Kitsap branch of Chase Bank (formerly Washington Mutual).

The robbery occurred around 12:44 p.m. at the branch office located inside the Fred Meyer Store at 5050 State Highway 303 NE, East Bremerton. A single adult male stepped up to a teller's position and handed a note to a bank employee. The note stated that the man had a gun.

After taking an undisclosed amount of money from the bank teller, the suspect was last seen leaving the store on foot, heading toward the highway.

Kitsap County Central Communications (9-1-1 dispatch) was first notified of the robbery at 12:53 p.m. Officers from Bremerton Police Department arrived to assist with area containment at 1:00 p.m. Sheriff's patrol deputies were on-scene at 1:03 p.m. followed by detectives.

Sheriff's detectives provided a description of the suspect as:

- White male, average height.
- 40 to 60 years of age.
- Wearing a red baseball cap along with an older style Seattle Seahawks jacket with hood (dirty), black-colored sweat pants with white stripes down each leg, sunglasses, latex gloves and a white-colored surgical mask.

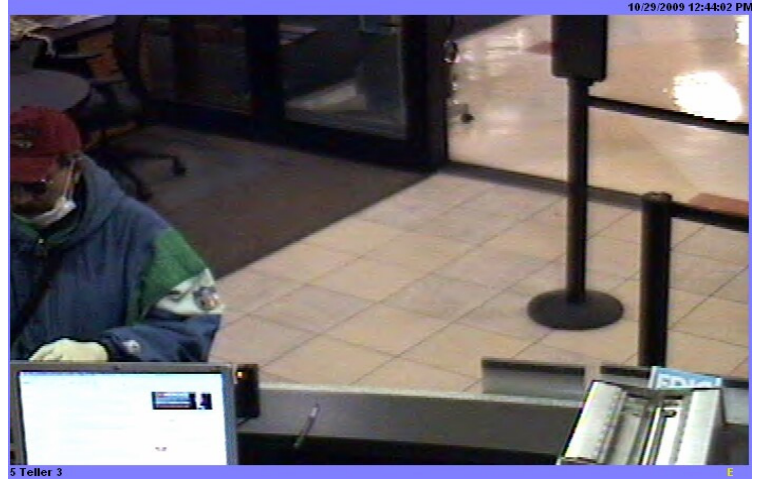
Photographs depicting the suspect inside the bank are attached. The photographs were obtained from the bank's video surveillance system.

Persons with information about this bank robbery, or the suspect, are requested to contact the FBI's Seattle Office at (206) 622-0460, or Sheriff's Detective Mike Rodrigue at (360) 337-4479.

Those wishing to remain anonymous may contact Crime Stoppers of Puget Sound at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).



Four security camera photographs taken of a male robbery suspect at the Chase Bank branch, located inside the Fred Meyer Store, 5050 State Highway 303 NE, East Bremerton, during the early afternoon of Thursday, Oct. 29.



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