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Early morning assault and robbery

East Bremerton, Wash. -- A 45 year-old man was hospitalized, earlier today, for treatment of serious injuries sustained during an early morning invasion style assault and robbery at his home.

Sheriff's patrol deputies responded to a call from a neighbor's house in the 2800 block of Bowen Street, off of Trenton Avenue, in East Bremerton. On arrival they found the victim, who had left his residence after the attack to call for help as he did not have a telephone at his home. The man had suffered serious facial trauma in the form of multiple lacerations, and other injuries, consistent with being assaulted.

A medic unit from Bremerton Fire Department rendered immediate first aid and then transported the man to the emergency room at Harrison Medical Center, Bremerton, for further evaluation and treatment.

Sheriff's detectives arrived at the victim's home soon afterwards to begin processing the scene for evidence as part of the crime scene analysis.

Although the investigation is in its early stages, detectives state that the man answered his front door to repeated knocking, sometime between 4:00 – 4:30 a.m. As he opened the door, an unknown person immediately struck him knocking him back into the house. The man was assaulted continuously as multiple suspects entered the house and began searching the residence and taking various items of personal property. The man was left alone at the house when his assailants left.

Detectives only have partial descriptions right now: at least two male suspects, possibly Asian or Hispanic, in their late 'teens or early 20's, wearing dark clothing.

A motive for the assault and robbery has not been determined.

The investigation continues. Anyone with information is requested to contact Detective Chad Birkenfeld at (360) 337-5619.

Those who want to remain anonymous may contact Crime Stoppers of Puget Sound at 1-800-222-TIPS.

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