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The Gallup Police Department is searching for two Hispanic males who held up the clerk at El Dorado, the liquor store Aug. 3.

According to GPD Officer Matthew Graham, one of the responding officers, they was sent to El Dorado in reference to the clerk getting robbed at gunpoint. The suspects could only be identified as two Hispanic males, one in a black shirt with writing, a black hat and glasses. The other male was described as wearing a light shirt and shorts.

"Dispatch said she had a hard time getting a description because they forced her to the floor," Graham said.

Both suspects were said to have been armed and had originally walked into the store as customers.

According to Capt. Rick White and the call log, the suspects both left on foot, running south on Aztec behind the Super 8 Motel after they made off with an undisclosed amount of money.

Crimestoppers is offering a reward for information on this crime, up to \$1,000. To make that call and possibly receive your award, dial (505) 722-6161.

Another armed robbery

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Another armed robbery occurred Aug. 5, but this time with no outcome for the wannabe thief. White said that at about 12:26 am Mustang east at 3340 E. 66 was held up.

"A young male with a BB gun tried to rob [them]," White said.

While no money was taken, police are still searching for the man who was last seen leaving towards Elizabeth Street in Indian Hills wearing a black "hoodie" and black pants.

A Crimestoppers reward up to \$1,000 is available for anyone with information.

Beer skips

MCSO handled five grab and run "beer skips" over the Aug. 1 weekend. Mustang south, on Highway 602 near the Bread Springs turnoff, was hit twice July 31.

The first beer skip occurred when a man left the store with an 18-pack of Bud Ice. The clerk said that he stood around and even stood in line for a while before leaving the store with the \$13.99 item. He is described as being 5'9" wearing a black shirt and blue jeans.

The store was again stolen from when a Native American man, approximately 5'2," 189 lbs, stole a 30-pack of Bud Ice valued at \$19.99 and left the store in a tan Oldsmobile with three other males inside the vehicle.

The Giant Mustang store in Thoreau also had two beer skips over the weekend. On Aug. 1, three men left the store with one can of "Camo beer," valued at \$1.99, two 30-packs of Budweiser beer valued at \$27.74 and a 30-pack of Bud Light beer also valued at \$27.74.

On Aug. 2, another 30-pack of Bud Light beer was stolen by two males who were recognized

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and possibly identified by the store clerks. They left in a dark gray Ford pick up truck.

El Sabino, on South 602, was also the target of a beer skip Aug 2. The clerk wrote in his statement that the man went to the register and then "just made a run for the door." The man was wearing a light blue pullover with a black hat and got into a four door gray Neon with Arizona plates.