

Orange County Fire Authority Investigation Services Section



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Orange County Fire Authority Seeks Public's Help Releases Video of Suspect in Walmart Arson Incident

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Irvine, Calif – The Orange County Fire Authority (OCFA) is asking for the public's help in identifying a female suspected of intentionally lighting a fire inside of a Walmart on W. McFadden in the City of Santa Ana.

The suspect is seen on surveillance video below lighting clothing on fire that are hanging on a rack in Women's apparel section. She is described as a White or Hispanic female, 35 to 45 years old with longer brown hair with blond streaks. Upon start of the fire, store employees prevented spread of the blaze utilizing a fire extinguisher. Their quick actions likely prevented this brazen attack from becoming a large scale incident that could have threatened the lives of dozens of employees and customers.

OCFA's Investigation Services Section is requesting any information the public may have in identifying the suspect. If you, or anyone you know, has information as to the identity of the suspect or any information associated with this fire, please contact the Crime Stoppers hotline at 1-855-TIP-OCCS. Information is completely anonymous and the tipster's name will not be requested. Crime Stoppers is offering a cash reward of up to \$1,000 for information that leads to an arrest in this case.

Walmart video

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Media inquiries about this case can be directed to OCFA Public Information Officer Captain Larry Kurtz at 714-357-7782 or OCFA Investigation Services Section at 714-573-6700.



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