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Assault Suspect

St. Petersburg Police Detectives would like the public's assistance in identifying a man who assaulted a 15 year old girl. Attached is a composite image from a partial description the victim was able to provide.

On Saturday, May 27th, at 12:48 a.m., a mother called to report her daughter as a runaway. She was last seen at 8:50 p.m. at her home. Police officers attempted to locate her, but were unsuccessful.

At 4:26 a.m., police received a call about an injured young woman found dazed and walking on 22nd Avenue South near 12th Street. Police investigators determined it was the missing 15 year old. She had been beaten and possibly sexually assaulted. Due to the injuries to her face and jaw, she was unable to speak to detectives.

Three detectives have spent the last two weeks actively trying to re-trace her steps and interviewing everyone she came in contact with that night. They have tracked down surveillance video and pursued various leads.

Test results on DNA evidence are still pending.

We have no other unsolved assault victims at this time.

If anyone has information on this case, please contact St. Petersburg Police 893-7780 or text SPPD + your tip to TIP411. Case #2017-025408