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Mural Vandal

Police are investigating a number of similar vandalism cases destroying four murals in St. Petersburg in the last three weeks. Someone is throwing gray paint on the colorful wall murals.

Attached is video of two suspects, a man and a woman, carrying paint cans as they walk near 226 MLK St. N. (near Planet Retro records). Their faces are covered, but someone may have information about their identities. We also attached photos of all the murals targeted.

The murals are a total loss artistically and a huge loss for the community. Anyone with information, please contact St. Petersburg Police 893-7780.

Here are the case details:

2018-02602: 432 1st St. N. "Stop & Shop" (gray paint thrown on mural resulting in a total loss of the mural and well over \$1,000 in damage.) Sometime overnight between 1-13-2018 and 1-14-2018.

2018-001896 : 226 Dr. Martin Luther King St. N., "Planet Retro Records" (gray paint thrown on mural resulting in a total loss of the mural and well over \$1,000 in damage.) 01-12-19

2018-002406 : 1437 4th St. S., "Story Brook Craft Coffee Bar" (gray paint thrown on mural resulting in a total loss of the mural and estimated to be \$200.00 in damage.) 01-15-18 to 01-17-18

2018-000662 : 2338 Emerson Ave. S. (Warehouse) (gray paint thrown on mural resulting in a total loss of the mural and estimated to be \$5,000 in damage.) 01-03-2018 to 01-05-2018