



# City of Downey

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## PRESS RELEASE

Reward for Information

April 5, 2011

On Wednesday, March 30, 2011, at around 7:30 am, five bronze headstones were stolen from the Downey Cemetery, located at 12950 Lakewood Blvd. in the City of Downey. At the recommendation of Supervisor Don Knabe, the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors is offering a \$10,000 reward for information leading to the arrest and conviction of the suspects in this case.

The suspects in this incident were last seen leaving the area in a black "lifted" Chevy Silverado truck, with a black camper shell. Suspect #1 is described as male Caucasian or Hispanic, 6' 3" weighing approximately 300 lbs. He was last seen wearing a white shirt and gray shorts. Suspect #2 is described as a male Caucasian or Hispanic, 5' 8" weighing approximately 250 lbs. He was also last seen wearing a white shirt and gray shorts.

In response to the offer of a reward from the Supervisor's office, Downey Mayor Luis Marquez said, "We're thankful to Supervisor Knabe and the Board of Supervisors for their efforts in helping us to solve this crime. We take great pride in caring for the Downey Cemetery and it is a beautiful, historic place to honor our departed friends and loved ones." The Downey Cemetery is the final resting place for pioneers of the Southeast region and local historical figures, including veterans from the Civil War through the Gulf War.

Anyone with information regarding this case, or the identity of a possible suspect(s), is asked to contact Detective Jerry Price at (562) 904-2359 or Detective Mark Galindo (562) 904-2326.

To provide information ANONYMOUSLY, call Crime Stoppers by dialing 800-222-TIPS (8477), or by texting the letters TIPLA, plus your tip, to CRIMES (274637), or by using the web site <http://lacrimestoppers.org>.

Press inquiries should be directed to Sergeant Brian Baker at (562) 904-2304 or Lieutenant Phil Rego at (562) 904-2311.