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THREE ARRESTS MADE IN ROBBERIES IN THE CITY OF READING

Reading Police made three arrests in connection with two robberies committed last night in the City of Reading. Around 9:00 pm, the Sunoco gas station at 200 Warren Street was robbed at gunpoint and a victim was pistol whipped during the robbery. Shortly afterwards, Reading Police believe the same suspects were involved in a robbery at the La Cibaena grocery store at 100 Oley Street. Reading Police Chief William Heim commended the work of his department stating, "The patrol officers and criminal investigators have been diligently following up leads and their operations last evening and this morning resulted in the apprehension of these dangerous criminals."

Police Investigators are diligently working to find out if these three suspects are also responsible for the series of bodega and convenience store robberies that have been occurring in the city and county recently. "Chief Heim, Captain Damond Kloc, and their officers did a great job apprehending these suspects quickly and without incident," Reading Mayor Vaughn Spencer noted. "That's just great police work," Spencer continued. "We need to show these criminals that we're not going to put up with these armed robberies in our City, and our police force is dedicated to protecting our citizens from this violent criminal behavior," Spencer said.

Reading Police were assisted by Berks County officers and the FBI. Money, guns, and other evidence were recovered during the arrests and a subsequent search warrant executed on a residence in the city.

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