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# NYPD: Ex-con used Taser to zap mugging victim

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STATEN ISLAND, N.Y. — A repeat felon from New Brighton used a Taser to zap a mugging victim, right before two accomplices relieved the man of \$800 cash and two MetroCards, police allege.

Andre (Bookwork) Sanders, 28, of the 100 block of York Avenue, approached the 23-year-old victim as he walked along Stanley Avenue at about 9:30 p.m. Monday, police allege.

Sanders jolted the man in the back of the neck, police allege. He and his accomplices then got in front of the man, and one of them said, "Run your (expletive) or I'll shoot you," according to court papers.

One of Sanders' accomplices then lifted up his shirt, revealing what looked like the butt of a gun, police allege.

The muggers took the victim's cash and MetroCards and fled, and police caught up with Sanders at the intersection of Jersey Street and Castleton Avenue about 20 minutes later, according to police.

Sanders was most recently released to parole in February. He had been sentenced in 2009 and 2010 to concurrent five year sentences for a string of burglaries in West Brighton.

Prior to the burglary spree, he spent nearly two and a half years in prison on a felony drug conviction in 2005.

Sanders is now charged with first- and second-degree robbery, second-degree assault, fourth-degree criminal possession of a weapon, resisting arrest and petit larceny, according to information from Acting District Attorney Daniel Master's office.

He's currently being held on \$100,000 bail until his next appearance in Stapleton Criminal Court on Friday.

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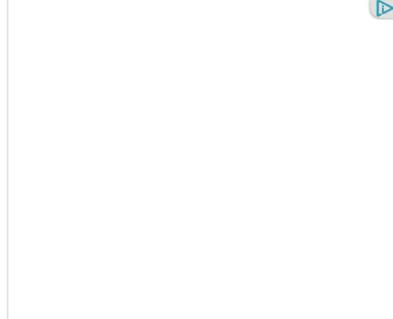
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