Man pleads to city robberies

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A man who committed four robberies in Fredericksburg in November pleaded guilty to multiple charges yesterday in Fredericksburg Circuit Court.

Adam Lee Blain, 31, was convicted of four counts of robbery, using a firearm in the commission of a felony and grand larceny.

He and a co-defendant, 33-year-old Thomas Edward Brown, have now been convicted of robbing the CVS near Mary Washington Hospital, Pure service station at 1600 Princess Anne St., the Best Western Motel on Plank Road, and Dunkin' Donuts at 533 Jefferson Davis Highway.

Brown, who pleaded guilty last week, will be sentenced in June, while Blain's sentencing in Fredericksburg is set for Aug. 11.

Prosecutor Travis Bird said the total amount taken in the city robberies was about $1,500.

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Bird said Blain told police that he robbed places to support his drug habit and to pay off a debt to a drug dealer.

The Fredericksburg charges represent just a portion of the robberies that pair has been convicted of or charged with.

Blain has already pleaded guilty in Fairfax and has similar charges pending in Spotsylvania, Culpeper, Fauquier, Prince William and Hanover counties.

Blain and Brown were arrested in Fairfax in November when they allegedly tried to rob a place that police had under surveillance.

Blain and Brown were living on Caroline Street in Fredericksburg at the time of their arrests.

Police said the robber in each of the city robberies did not display a gun, but indicated at least twice that he had one.

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