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PUBLIC STORAGE BURGLARY

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating multiple burglaries that occurred at a Public Storage complex located in the City of Fort Lauderdale. The burglaries took place on October 24th, 2011, at approximately 9:15 P.M. The Public Storage is located at 1020 Northwest 23rd Avenue in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

In the early morning hours of October 25th, 2011, Fort Lauderdale Police Officers responded out to the Public Storage facility, after Public Storage employees discovered multiple units had been burglarized throughout the night.

Throughout the course of their preliminary investigation, detectives learned that two males used an unknown cutting instrument to incise a hole in the back fence of the complex. After they were able to sever the chain-link fence, they gained entry into the Public Storage complex.

Once inside the facility, the suspects attempted to open the larger storage units without success. After their fruitless attempts to open the larger units, the suspects snuck into a warehouse area that housed smaller units. Inside the warehouse, the suspects used a cutting instrument to break the padlocks and rummage through approximately forty (40) smaller units. The suspects then fled through the same fence from which they entered.

Investigators are currently working on gathering surveillance video from the Public Storage. At this time, the total loss from the burglaries is undetermined.

Detectives are urging anyone with information regarding the identity of the suspects to contact Detective Bruce Belfield at 954-828-6353 or Broward County Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS.

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