

## CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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## FUNDRAISER POTENTIALLY DERAILED BY THIEF

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating an auto burglary that occurred at 5210 Northeast 17<sup>th</sup> Avenue in the City of Fort Lauderdale, during the early morning hours of May 2, 2013.

The victim of this burglary contacted police when he observed one of the doors to his vehicle ajar, and his custom bicycle missing.

The victim has been identified as Hector Picard, the founder of the fundraiser Hands for Baby Jameson. This fundraiser was created to raise money for the medical care of a child, Jameson Davis, who was born without hands and forearms. Hector is a double arm amputee, and his bicycle was custom designed for him to ride without the assistance of prosthetics.

On June 8<sup>th</sup>, Hector will embark on a (3,200) three thousand two hundred mile ride from the City of Miami, Florida to Jameson's hometown of Spokane, Washington. Hector's journey is scheduled to take (36) thirty-six days to complete.

Anyone with information regarding this incident or the whereabouts of this custom bicycle is urged to contact Detective Anna Diaz at 954-828-5574.

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