

## CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE

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## ARMED ROBBERY

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating an Armed Robbery that occurred on Friday, February 7<sup>th</sup> at approximately 1:00 A.M. The incident occurred at the American Social Bar & Restaurant located at 721 East Las Olas Boulevard in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Three armed suspects approached two employees at the rear of the establishment, brandished firearms and demanded their belongings.

The suspects took one of the employee's belongings from his pants pockets and jumped into a nearby awaiting vehicle.

The suspects were seen fleeing from the scene in a white, 4-door Dodge Stratus.

The victims immediately called 9-1-1 and provided descriptions of the suspects and their vehicle.

A Fort Lauderdale Police Officer located the suspect's vehicle traveling westbound on Broward Boulevard. When officers attempted to conduct a traffic stop of the vehicle, the suspects refused to stop and fled northbound on Interstate 95. The suspect vehicle was pursued into Palm Beach County where the vehicle stopped and the suspects attempted to flee on foot.

Due to the quick response of area law enforcement, a perimeter was established and all four suspects, including the driver of the getaway vehicle, were apprehended without further incident.

Officers later learned that the vehicle the suspects fled in was reportedly stolen out of Palm Beach County.

The suspects have been identified as Tarik Jarrett, B/M, 11/9/96, Maurice Sims, B/M, 9/26/96, Mario Frierson, B/M, 4/20/95, and Shequilla Shaw, B/F, 4/12/95, all City of West Palm Beach residents.

Jarrett, Sims and Frierson were taken into custody and all charged with one count of Robbery with a Firearm and two counts of Resisting Arrest without Violence.

Shaw was taken into custody and charged with one count of Robbery with a Firearm, one count of Resisting Arrest without Violence, one count of Flee and Elude Law Enforcement, one count of Reckless Driving and one count of No Valid Driver's License.

Neither employee was injured during this incident.

Anyone with further information regarding this armed robbery should contact Detective Richard Rivera at 954-828-6355.

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