

## FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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## BURGLAR STEALS PURSE AS WOMAN PUMPS GAS

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The Fort Lauderdale Police Department has arrested Harold Fabre, 9/15/1989, and Vincent Ware, 6/13/1988, in connection with a vehicle burglary that took place at the Hess Gas Station located at 1600 South Federal Highway on August 29, 2008.

According to officers, a BOLO, (Be On the Look Out), was issued after a woman discovered her vehicle was burglarized and her purse was stolen. This crime took place while she was pumping gas and never realized what occurred until it was too late. The suspects fled the scene in a white vehicle with her purse.

The entire incident was captured on surveillance video.

After an investigation was conducted by patrol officers at the scene, a suspect and vehicle description were obtained and the suspects were quickly apprehended. Her cell phone was located within the suspect's vehicle but her purse was never located.

Fort Lauderdale Police Department reminds citizens that one of the most effective ways to combat vehicle burglaries is to never leave valuables inside of the vehicle. In the above referenced case, the victim was next to her vehicle but she was side-tracked while the suspect entered through the unlocked door and stole her property. Don't be a victim!

Citizens should be vigilant and remember that if something looks strange, call the police. It is better to call the police and find they are not needed than to not call and realize they should have been called.

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