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## WINN-DIXIE ROBBERY

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating an armed robbery that occurred on Saturday, August 9<sup>th</sup>, 2008, at approximately 10:30 P.M. The robbery took place at 2420 North Federal Highway, Fort Lauderdale, Florida at Winn-Dixie grocery store.

Preliminary investigation has revealed that two black males entered the store, wearing ski masks and armed with revolvers. The suspects went to the office area of the grocery store looking for the safe to the store. The suspects confronted the victim at the office door, which was locked. The suspects then took money from the victim and demanded that he open the office door. The victim advised that he could not open the door because he did not have a key.

The suspects then began to bang on the office door demanding that the employee inside open the door. After several attempts to obtain entrance into the office, the suspects fled the store on foot and ran westbound across North Federal Highway. During the robbery, there were approximately six employees inside of the store and three customers.

A perimeter was established for the suspects and an extensive search was conducted by various K-9 officers. The suspects were not located. Officers were able to locate a wet black ski mask and a revolver, which were submitted into evidence.

The first suspect was described as a black male, 5'6", thin build, wearing all black clothing, a black ski mask, and armed with a revolver. The second suspect was described as a black male, 5'6", thin build, wearing a black shirt with tan shorts, a black ski mask, and armed with a revolver.

Anyone with information on this robbery is encouraged to contact Detective Robyn Christophers at 954-828-6558 or Broward County Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS.

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