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## WINN-DIXIE ROBBERY

## \*\*\*VIDEO IS AVAILABLE\*\*\*

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating an armed robbery that occurred on June 2, 2009 at approximately 11:55 P.M. The robbery took place at Winn-Dixie, which is located at 1625 Cordova Road, Fort Lauderdale, Florida.

Preliminary investigation has revealed that two black males entered the store armed. One black male was armed with a handgun and the other appeared to be armed with a shotgun. The suspects ordered everyone in the store to the ground. One of the culprits stayed in the front of the store, while the other placed their firearm on one of the employees, and demanded to be taken to the office. Upon reaching the office, the suspect demanded for the safe to be unlocked, or he would shoot someone. Fearing for their lives, the manager and employee complied. Both suspects fled the store with an unknown amount of cash.

A vehicle, which was seen in the parking lot prior to the robbery, was recovered at the 1200 block of Southeast 10 Avenue shortly after the robbery. The manager was transported to the vehicle and positively identified it as the one he observed in the parking lot. A perimeter was established and worked by K-9 officers, but no suspects were located.

The first suspect has been described as a black male, armed with a handgun, wearing all black with blue jeans. He had on a ski mask and gloves. The second suspect, also a black male, was armed with a shotgun. He was last seen wearing a blue and white striped shirt with a black ski mask and gloves.

Anyone with information on this incident or the whereabouts of these suspects is encouraged to contact Detective Allen Diamond at 954-828-5539 or Broward County Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS.

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