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### ***Person Of Interest Has Been Identified And Another Has Been Arrested In Connection With February Vehicle Burglaries***

In February of 2019, Thibodaux Chief of Police Bryan Zeringue asked for our community partners' assistance in locating an unidentified black male subject. The subject was a person of interest wanted for questioning in reference to a string of vehicle burglaries that occurred during the nighttime hours of Tuesday, February 12, 2019 and into the early morning hours of Wednesday February 13, 2019 within the City Limits of Thibodaux.

After further investigation, it was revealed that two subjects were involved in the burglaries; Marcus Allen and Akeem Woods. These suspects burglarized multiple vehicles in the Rienzi Community. The suspects appeared to target unlocked vehicles and were able to get away with numerous personal items that were left in the vehicles; this included electronic devices, cash, credit cards and a firearm. The suspects were caught on home video surveillance and detectives were able to obtain a detailed clothing description on both suspects. As the investigation continued, it was learned that some of the credit cards stolen were used at several convenience stores in Terrebonne Parish. Store video confirmed that the same two suspects caught on video at the scene of the burglaries were in fact the same suspects who utilized the stolen credit cards. With assistance from the Houma Police Department, Detectives were able to positively identify Mr. Allen and Mr. Woods and link them to the burglaries. Warrants were issued for both suspects for 4-Counts of Simple Burglary (Felony) and Theft of a Firearm (Felony).

On Friday March 8<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Mr. Allen was taken into custody by the Houma Police Department and booked into the Terrebonne Criminal Justice Complex on a City Court of Thibodaux Warrant, Bond Amount \$ 75,000.00. Mr. Woods, who also has an active City Court of Thibodaux Warrant, Bond Amount \$ 50,000.00, still remains at large.

If you know the whereabouts or have information that could lead police to Akeem Woods, please contact the Thibodaux Police Department or submit a tip anonymously through Crime Stoppers Bayou Region by phone at 1-800-743-7433 or online at [www.crimestoppersbr.org](http://www.crimestoppersbr.org). Tips can also be submitted using the P3 Tips app on your mobile device. If you submit a tip through Crime Stoppers, tipsters could be eligible for a reward of up to \$1,000 in cash if the information leads to an arrest.



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Chief Zeringue is still urging our community partners to ensure all property and vehicles remain locked and secured when left unattended. If you see anything suspicious or out the ordinary, please contact the Thibodaux Police Department at (985) 446-5021. Locking your vehicles can go a long way in the protection of your property. Many burglars continue to look for unlocked, easy targets.

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