



# Bureau of Detectives – Area 3

# Community Alert



Alert #24-3-045 (CA)  
August 24, 2024

## Theft from Motor Vehicles 001<sup>st</sup> District (Central)

### About the Crime:

This alert gives notice to residents in the 001<sup>st</sup> District of recent thefts from motor vehicle incidents which have occurred during the months of July and August on Beat 131. In each occurrence, the offender enters into an unlocked vehicle or breaks the passenger side window of an unattended vehicle parked on the street before entering and taking possession of property located within the vehicle. A firearm left unsecured inside the vehicle was stolen on every occasion with the exception of one incident.

### Incident times and locations:

- 0-100 block of E. Cermak Rd on July 21, 2024 at 11:30 p.m.
- 2400 block of S. Michigan Ave on July 27, 2024 at 11:45 p.m.
- 2200 block of S. Wabash Ave on July 28, 2024 at 2:30 a.m.
- 2200 block of S. Michigan Ave on July 29, 2024 at 2:50 a.m.
- 2200 block of S. Wabash Ave on August 4, 2024 at 2:30 a.m.
- 2000 block of S. Wabash Ave on August 4, 2024 at 1:00 p.m.
- 2100 block of S. Wabash Ave on August 9, 2024 at 11:00 p.m.
- 2300 block of S. Wabash Ave on August 15, 2024 between 1:00 a.m. - 1:54 a.m.

### About The Offender(s)

Unknown at this time

### What you can do:

- Park in well-lit areas away from larger vehicles that may offer privacy for a thief to break into your car.
- Do not leave your vehicle unlocked.
- Install a security/anti-theft system and advertise it on vehicle.
- Invest in a gun safe specifically designed for your vehicle to safeguard your firearm
- Be aware of your surroundings, especially when securing your vehicle.
- Pay special attention to suspicious individuals in the area and alert the police.
- Ensure family/friends/neighbors check on your parked vehicle periodically if gone for extended periods of time.
- Call 911 immediately if you are a victim or witness to a crime and provide a detailed description of the offender(s) including any physical/clothing identifiers in addition to any vehicle description and license plate information.
- If your firearm is stolen, report it to the police promptly.

**If you have any information please contact the Bureau of Detectives  
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