



# McAllen Police Department

## MEDIA RELEASE

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### Four Detained in Theft

McAllen Police has detained Trevon Lee Prater, Julian Hayward Fite, Karena Renee Jones Brown, and Derrick Dewayne Turner Jr., from the Houston, Texas area, the charges are pending.



**Trevon Lee Prater**



**Julian Hayward Fite**



**Karena Renee Jones Brown**



**Derrick Dewayne Turner Jr.**

What is Bank Jugging?

*Bank Jugging is when a suspect(s) observes a customer entering and exiting a financial institution, using the drive-thru, or accessing the ATM. The suspect(s) then follows the customer, they believe are in possession of large amounts of cash, to their next location. The suspect(s) looks for an opportunity to burglarize the victim's vehicle or threatens or assaults the victim and demands the money.*

**Call for Service:** Theft

**Date:** September 21, 2023

**Time:** 2:08 PM

**Location:** 4400 Block of Military Hwy. McAllen, TX.

On September 21, 2023 at approximately 2:08 PM, the victim reported to McAllen Police he had gone to the bank where he withdrew money and placed it in an envelope. The victim then drove to the area of the 4400 block of Military Hwy, McAllen, TX and left the envelope inside his vehicle. Victim reported the suspect(s) made force entry into his vehicle and took the envelope containing the money inside.

The McAllen Police Department reminds citizens to:

- **Stay Vigilant:** Always stay alert and aware of your surrounding when you visit financial institutions, including ATMs.
- **Conceal Bank Items:** Avoid openly carrying bank bags or envelope, and attempt to conceal them before leaving the financial institution. Additionally, remember to lock your car doors upon entering vehicle.
- **Secure Your Vehicle:** Never leave money or valuable items in your vehicle and lock your car doors upon exiting.
- **Report Suspicious Activity:** If you observe anything suspicious, report it to your local police department.

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