

\$ 10 million in drugs seized

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DETROIT ? The men who reportedly stole a 2004 Ford Expedition early Wednesday could be **in** more trouble than they bargained for.

Three men were stripping the vehicle on Faust, between Seven Mile and Eight Mile, about 3:15 a.m. when officers arrived, arrested one man and then found an estimated \$ **10 million** worth of narcotics hidden **in** the vehicle, police said.

"Somebody, somewhere, is going to be very disappointed when they find out about their missing **drugs** ," said Police Chief Ella Bully-Cummings at a press conference on the seizure Wednesday afternoon.

"Wherever they (the **drugs**) were supposed to go, they're not going now."

The seizure occurred after a resident **in** the northwest **Detroit** neighborhood called police to report three men with flashlights stripping the sports utility vehicle near his home.

When the two officers from the 8th (Grand River) Precinct arrived the men ran off **in** different directions, but one of them, a 27-year-old Detroiter, was caught after a short foot chase. He is being held on a car theft charge.

During the search of the Ford Expedition, the officers found 42 pounds of cocaine with an estimated street value of up to \$8 **million** and 4.4 pounds of heroin, with an estimated street value of \$2 **million** , police said.

The also found \$42,000 cash and a handgun **in** one of the hidden compartments, Bully-Cummings said.

"The registered owner of the sport utility vehicle did report (it) stolen and we have a lot of questions to ask him when he is located," Bully-Cummings added.

Police confiscated the vehicle.

"This is ... a high-level **drug** seizure," Bully-Cummings said. "We have a lot of investigating to do."

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