

Report: Thieves try to steal ATM from Detroit CVS

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DETROIT -- **Thieves** tried **to** make an unauthorized withdrawal this morning **from** an **ATM** in an area **CVS** drug store by stealing the electronic banking device, according **to** a report on WDIV-TV's Web site.

But the **thieves** did not get **to** keep their stolen booty because they wound up losing the **ATM** on Gratiot Avenue, as Detroit police chased after them, according **to** WDIV.

The **thieves** were using a red Dodge Durango **to** drag the machine. They escaped.

Police said one suspect used a pickup **to** back into the **CVS** , which damaged the front of the store. The pickup, which was reported stolen, was left behind with two flat tires, police told WDIV.

The **thieves** may have been the ones who targeted a nearby Walgreen's late last night or earlier this morning, according **to** WDIV.

There have been at least six ATMS reported stolen in Metro Detroit this year, part of a growing trend nationwide, experts told The Detroit News for a Jan. 26 story. For instance, a Walgreen's at Moross and Mack in Detroit was hit twice in January, according **to** its staff.

The FBI estimates that there have been more than 1,000 such thefts since 2000. The FBI estimates that an **ATM** can contain as much as \$30,000 in cash.

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