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Armored Truck Robbed

Riverside, CA -- On Saturday June 13, 2009, at a little after 1pm, at least two masked men robbed an armored car at gun point in the City of Riverside.

Riverside Police Department responded to an armed robbery of an armored car that had just occurred in the parking lot of the Wal Mart located at 5200 Van Buren Blvd. Initial information gave a getaway vehicle description and officers located that vehicle almost immediately, abandoned near the Wal Mart. The vehicle had been reported stolen from an adjacent city early in the day. Fearing a botched getaway by the robbers, the police officers opted to search a nearby neighborhood to ensure the safety of the citizens and rule out the possibility that the robbers were hiding nearby.

After a nearly two hour search, no suspects were located. Although no suspects were located at this time, Lieutenant Chuck Griffiths stated "Our officers and detectives are second to none and I am confident they will investigate relentlessly by reviewing evidence and looking for witnesses until these guys identified and are taken into custody."

The suspects are described only as two possibly three black male adults wearing full face masks, dark clothing and as having been armed with a handgun.

Taken during the robbery was an undisclosed amount of cash and several bags filled with checks. No injuries were reported during the robbery.

Local businesses are being canvassed for witnesses and for video surveillance footage.

There is no further information available for release at this time.

Persons with information regarding this robbery are urged to immediately call the Riverside Police Department at 951-353-7900.

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