

Burglary / Theft

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Tour de' Fence

Arlington Police Department
Detective Jim McRobbie
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An escapee from the Florida Department of Corrections was apparently on a personal stolen bike "Tour de' Fence". The same suspect is believed to have been responsible for thefts of expensive bicycles, not only in Arlington, Texas but also in Spring, Texas, Austin, Texas, and Duluth, Georgia. He isn't exactly a Lance Armstrong, considering he's driving the bikes around in a suspected stolen vehicle and then selling them to dealers all over the South. Stops on the Tour where he sold bikes include Garland, Texas; San Antonio, Texas; Houston, Texas; Jacksonville, Florida; and Midfield, Alabama. Speaking of the bike that was pawned in Midfield, Alabama, it was stolen in a burglary of a bicycle store in Duluth, Georgia with a recovery value of \$4,000.

Wait, did I say \$4,000?!

Detective J.W. McRobbie was able to instantly make the connections between the multi-state burglaries using the LeadsOnline investigations system, and the total recovery topped \$26,000.00! That's a number that any athlete would drool over considering the injury risk is relatively low and there's hardly a chance of being stalked by the paparazzi with extra-marital affairs ending up on the cover of People Magazine.

The days of petty thugs stealing low-end merchandise and peddling hot auto stereos to make ends meet will never go away, but this suspect has given himself a promotion in this type of street hustle in a very big way. He may not be a professional athlete himself, let alone a world renowned cycling champion (and that's definitely an understatement), but he undoubtedly has an appreciation for quality biking equipment. Perhaps once he's paid his debt to society, he will finally give up his life as a criminal for good and fill out a job application at REI?! Hey...crazier things have happened. Just ask Lance Armstrong.

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