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11 Individuals Indicted on Engaging in a Pattern of Corrupt Activity Among Other Charges for Breaking and Entering 26 Car Dealerships and Stealing 86 Vehicles in Northeast Ohio

CLEVELAND - Cuyahoga County Prosecutor Michael C. O'Malley announced that a Cuyahoga County grand jury has returned an indictment charging Makilin Wilson, 20, Rasheed Rountree, 21, Kyer Allen, 19, Dahmere Lymon, 19, Willie Hicks, 22, Ty'aun Williams, 20, Theon Avery, 20, Shaakir Maddox, 21, Arthur Robinson, 21, Laejuan Robinson, 18, and Cory Phillips, 18, on several charges including Engaging in a Pattern of Corrupt Activity for breaking into 26 car dealerships and stealing vehicles in Northeast Ohio.

"These 11 men operated a criminal organization that targeted multiple dealerships in 11 counties across Northeast Ohio," said Prosecutor Michael C. O'Malley. "Their crime spree caused significant damage to the dealerships they hit, the people they affected, and the communities surrounding them. I would like to personally thank the great efforts of the 34 law enforcement agencies that took this group out of commission. They will be held responsible."

From November 2, 2022, to March 17, 2023, Makilin Wilson, Rasheed Rountree, Kyer Allen, Dahmere Lymon, Willie Hicks, Ty'aun Williams, Theon Avery, Shaakir Maddox, Arthur Robinson, Laejuan Robinson, and Cory Phillips broke into 26 car dealerships and three apartment complexes in 27 cities in 11 counties and stole 86 vehicles with an estimated value of \$5.1 million. There was a total of 32 incidents that occurred at 26 dealerships, some dealerships were broken into multiple times, and three additional incidents occurred at three different residential complexes.

In some instances, the defendants used the stolen vehicles to commit violent crimes, including an assault on a peace officer on January 5, 2023, and a drive-by shooting on February 14, 2023. Additionally, in some instances, the police officers responded to the scene at the car dealerships and the defendants lead the officers on high speed pursuits.

The investigation was conducted by 34 local, state, and federal law enforcement agencies including:

- The Cleveland Division of Police
- The Euclid Police Department
- The Parma Police Department
- The Strongsville Police Department
- The North Olmsted Police Department
- The Bedford Police Department
- The Solon Police Department
- The Brooklyn Police Department
- The Middleburg Heights Police Department

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- The Norton Police Department
- The Akron Police Department
- The Copley Police Department
- The Canton Police Department
- The Alliance Police Department
- The Ashland Police Department
- The Chardon Police Department
- The Dalton Police Department
- The Wooster Police Department
- The Malvern Police Department
- The Amherst Police Department
- The Willoughby Police Department
- The Mentor Police Department
- The Painesville Police Department
- The Medina Township Police Department
- The Brunswick Division of Police
- The Ravenna Police Department
- The Geauga County Sheriff's Office
- The Medina County Sheriff's Office
- The Lake County Sheriff's Office
- The Carroll County Sheriff's Office
- The Ashland County Sheriff's Office

with assistance from the Ohio Attorney General's Bureau of Criminal Investigation, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the U.S. Marshals.

The 11 counties that were affected are as follows:

<u>Cuyahog</u>a: Nine cities – Cleveland, Parma, Mayfield Heights, Strongsville, North Olmsted, Bedford, Solon, Euclid, and Brooklyn

- Seven dealerships 32 cars
 - Total estimated value stolen: \$1.56 million
- Three residences Two cars

Lorain County: One city – Amherst

- One dealership Two cars
 - Total estimated value stolen: over \$71,980

Lake County: Three cities - Willoughby, Mentor, and Painesville

• Three dealerships – Seven cars



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Total estimated value stolen: \$340,164

Geauga County: One city – Chardon

- One dealership Three cars
 - Total estimated value stolen: \$218,710

Medina County: Two cities – Brunswick and Medina

- Two dealerships Five cars
 - Total estimated value stolen: \$423,475

Wayne County: Two cities - Dalton and Wooster

- Two dealerships Three cars
 - Total estimated value stolen: \$140,700

Portage County: One city - Ravenna

- One dealership One car
 - Total estimated value stolen: \$54,515

Ashland County: One city - Ashland

- One dealership One car
 - Total estimated value stolen: \$75,000

Stark County: Three cities – North Canton, Canton, and Alliance

- Three dealerships Five cars
 - Total estimated value stolen: \$283,533

Summit County: Three cities - Norton, Akron, and Copley Township

- Four dealerships 24 cars
 - Total estimated value stolen: \$1.2 million

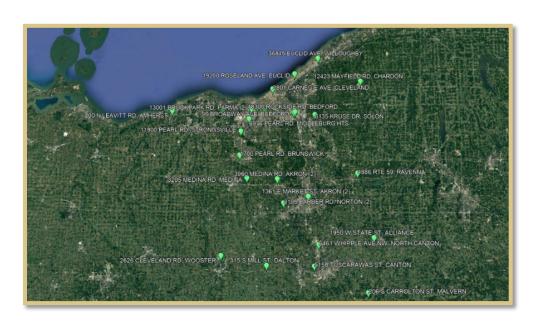
<u>Carroll County:</u> One city – Malvern

- One dealership One car
 - Total estimated value stolen: \$92,997



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The 86 vehicles that were stolen and charged in the indictment are as follows:

- Dodge Chargers four
- Dodge Challengers 14
- Cadillac one
- BMWs 12
- Jeep Wrangler one
- Mustangs two
- Jeep Grand Cherokees 10
- Land Rovers five
- Range Rover one
- Mercedes 14
- Audis four
- Dodge Rams two
- Jeep Compass one
- Chevy Tahoe one
- Ford Expedition one
- Kia K5 one
- Dodge Durango seven
- Porsche one
- Jaguars two
- Lexus one
- Volvo one



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With cooperation from the Lorain County Prosecutor's Office, the Lake County Prosecutor's Office, the Geauga County prosecutor's Office, the Medina County Prosecutor's Office, Wayne County Prosecutor's Office, the Portage County Prosecutor's Office, the Ashland County Prosecutor's Office, the Stark County Prosecutor's Office, the Summit County Prosecutor's Office, and the Carroll County Prosecutor's Office, the Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office elected to proceed with jurisdiction.

Makilin Wilson was indicted on the following charges:

- One count of Engaging In A Pattern Of Corrupt Activity
- One count of Aggravated Theft
- One count of Conspiracy
- 19 counts of Breaking And Entering
- 58 counts of Grand Theft
- Two counts of Receiving Stolen Property
- Four counts of Attempted Breaking And Entering
- One count of Attempted Grand Theft
- Two counts of Failure To Comply
- One count of Obstructing Official Business

Rasheed Rountree was indicted on the following charges:

- One count of Engaging In A Pattern Of Corrupt Activity
- One count of Aggravated Theft
- One count of Conspiracy
- Eight counts of Breaking And Entering
- 38 counts of Grand Theft
- One count of Receiving Stolen Property
- One count of Attempted Breaking And Entering
- Three counts of Felonious Assault

Kyer Allen was indicted on the following charges:

- One count of Engaging In A Pattern Of Corrupt Activity
- One count of Aggravated Theft
- One count of Conspiracy
- Eight counts of Breaking And Entering
- 19 counts of Grand Theft
- Two counts of Receiving Stolen Property
- One count of Felonious Assault
- One count of Obstructing Official Business

Dahmere Lymon was indicted on the following charges:

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- One count of Engaging In A Pattern Of Corrupt Activity
- One count of Aggravated Theft
- One count of Conspiracy
- Nine counts of Breaking And Entering
- 25 counts of Grand Theft
- One count of Receiving Stolen Property
- One count of Attempted Breaking And Entering
- One count of Obstructing Official Business

Willie Hicks was indicted on the following charges:

- One count of Engaging In A Pattern Of Corrupt Activity
- One count of Aggravated Theft
- One count of Conspiracy
- One count of Breaking And Entering
- Four counts of Grand Theft
- Two counts of Receiving Stolen Property

Ty'aun Williams was indicted on the following charges:

- One count of Engaging In A Pattern Of Corrupt Activity
- One count of Aggravated Theft
- One count of Conspiracy
- One count of Breaking And Entering
- Four counts of Grand Theft
- Two counts of Robbery
- One count of Aggravated Robbery

Theon Avery was indicted on the following charges:

- One count of Engaging In A Pattern Of Corrupt Activity
- One count of Aggravated Theft
- One count of Conspiracy
- One count of Breaking And Entering
- Two counts of Grand Theft

Shaakir Maddox was indicted on the following charges:

- One count of Engaging In A Pattern Of Corrupt Activity
- One count of Aggravated Theft
- One count of Conspiracy
- Four counts of Receiving Stolen Property



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Arthur Robinson was indicted on the following charges:

- One count of Engaging In A Pattern Of Corrupt Activity
- One count of Aggravated Theft
- One count of Conspiracy
- One count of Breaking And Entering
- One count of Grand Theft
- One count of Receiving Stolen Property

Laejuan Robinson was indicted on the following charges:

- One count of Engaging In A Pattern Of Corrupt Activity
- One count of Aggravated Theft
- One count of Conspiracy
- One count of Breaking And Entering
- Three counts of Grand Theft
- One count of Attempted Breaking And Entering
- One count of Possessing Criminal Tools

Cory Phillips was indicted on the following charges:

- One count of Engaging In A Pattern Of Corrupt Activity
- One count of Aggravated Theft
- One count of Conspiracy
- Two counts of Breaking And Entering
- Nine counts of Grand Theft
- One count of Attempted Breaking And Entering
- One count of Aggravated Robbery
- Two counts of Robbery

You can view the indictment and a video of a few incidents here.