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Incident Location: Kinch & Michigan Ave Urbana, IL Time of Information Release: September 3, 2024 6:30 p.m. Time of Incident: September 3, 2024 3:30 p.m.



ATTEMPTED LURING OF A CHILD

On Tuesday, September 3, 2024 around 3:54 p.m., Urbana patrol officers responded to the area of Kinch and Michigan for a report of a suspect attempting to lure a child, who was walking home from school around 3:30 p.m., by offering candy. The child ignored the repeated questions from the suspect and safely made it to their residence and notified a parent who contacted police.

Urbana Police patrol officers and detectives were summoned to the area and canvassed the area. The only description of the suspect is a male driving a dark or black SUV. If any resident has any video surveillance footage from the 2000, 2100, 2200, or 2300 block of East Michigan, they are asked to contact the Urbana Police Department non-emergency number, 217-384-2320, so that a patrol officer or detective can review the surveillance footage.

Urbana Police Department patrol officers will provide extra patrol to all schools during both arrival and dismissal times moving forward.

Urbana Police ask that anyone who has additional information please call 217-384-2320. Arrangements can be made for information to be shared privately. Anyone wishing to remain anonymous may also submit tips to Crime Stoppers by phone at 217-373-TIPS (217-373-8477); online at 373tips.com; or the "P3 Tips" mobile app.

Community members are reminded that information submitted to Crime Stoppers is completely anonymous. Calls are routed a to third-party national call center that receives your information, completes a tip information form, and then passes the information to the appropriate law enforcement agency. Caller ID tracking is not utilized by Crime Stoppers, and conversations are not recorded.

Crime Stoppers will pay cash rewards of \$5,000 for tips that lead to an arrest in any homicide case, \$2,500 for tips leading to an arrest in a felony crime involving a firearm, and up to \$1,000 for tips leading to the arrest of the person(s) responsible for any other crime.

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