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# Press Release

**To:** Local Media Outlets  
**From:** Officer Tyler Sherlock  
**Date:** 1/15/2022  
**Re:** **Multiple Vehicle Break-Ins Reported; Juvenile Suspect Taken Into Custody**

The Alliance Police Department responded to multiple reports of vehicle break-ins on January 15, 2026, in the area of West 11th Street and Sheridan Avenue.

Officers determined that four vehicles had been entered, all of which appeared to have been left unlocked. Items were taken from at least one vehicle, including loose change and a firearm. The firearm was later recovered.

During the investigation, officers identified a juvenile suspect believed to be connected to the incidents. At approximately 2:43 p.m., officers made contact with the juvenile at a residence in Alliance. Following consent to search, officers recovered property believed to be connected to the vehicle break-ins, including the stolen firearm and other items. Additional contraband was also located and collected as evidence.

The juvenile admitted to entering vehicles in the area and later identified one of the residences and vehicles involved. One victim positively identified recovered property as belonging to them.

Juvenile Probation was contacted, and an intake was completed. The juvenile is to be transported to a Juvenile Detention Facility in Lancaster County. Charges are being pursued under Nebraska statute §28-510, Theft from a Motor Vehicle. The investigation remains ongoing.

The Alliance Police Department reminds residents to lock their vehicles and remove valuables, including firearms, from vehicles. Unlocked vehicles continue to be a primary target for theft.