



## ROCKFORD POLICE DEPARTMENT

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# INFORMATION RELEASE

**DATE & TIME**      **12/15/09 8:16 AM**

**Bureau:**              **Investigative Services Bureau**

**Authorized Supervisor:**    **Deputy Chief Greg Lindmark**

**Phone:**                **815/967-6976**

**Incident:**              **Bank Robbery**

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## MESSAGE

On Monday, 12/14/09, shortly before 9:30 a.m. Patrol Officers and Detectives from the Rockford Police Dept. responded to the **National City Bank** branch at **6079 E. Riverside Blvd.** in reference to an Armed Robbery. When they arrived, officers learned that a black male suspect, who was masked and armed with an unknown type handgun, had entered the bank and demanded money from two tellers.

After obtaining an undisclosed amount of currency the suspect fled the bank. He was then seen leaving in a **Red 2001 Nissan Pathfinder** SUV with a Wisconsin license plate number of **898MDA**. It was later determined that the vehicle had been stolen in Rockford on Sunday, 12/13/09. No one inside the bank was injured during the incident.

Detectives from the Rockford Police Dept. and Special Agents from the local office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) are conducting a joint follow-up investigation into the incident. Based on the information gathered to this point the suspect is described as follows:

**B/M    Unk. Age.    5'11    180 to 200 lbs.**

**Blue Hooded Sweatshirt / Blue Sweatpants / Black Ski Mask**

**Black Gloves / Black Shoes / Armed with an unknown handgun**

Photos of the suspect taken from the bank's surveillance cameras are attached electronically to this press release.

Anyone with information regarding this incident or the suspect's identity is asked to contact the Rockford Police Dept. (**987-5824**), Crime Stoppers (**963-7867**), or the local office of the FBI.