

Accused grocery store vandals nabbed in Topeka

**(KAIR)--Two teens are in custody, facing charges for last week's graffiti vandalism of an Atchison grocery store.**

**On Friday, Atchison Police began the investigation into who was responsible for spray painting both words and symbols on the exterior of Van Dyke's Grocery, located at 4th and Atchison.**

**Police Chief Mike Wilson told MSC News the probe led investigators to the two teens, who had been in Atchison on an overnight visit Thursday when the alleged crime occurred. "We now know that these two young boys were brought to Atchison on Thursday to spend the night at a foster home."**

**Wilson said the teens, aged 14 and 15, returned to Topeka the following morning, where they were taken into custody on unrelated charges, prior to being named as suspects in the vandalism investigation. "They were scheduled to return to Topeka on Friday morning, which they did. When they did, there were some charges pending there, where they were [placed] in custody. When we worked this case on Friday they actually were [already] in custody."**

**Wilson said the teens are also suspected of similar vandalism to an Atchison garage, located about a block from the grocery store, Thursday night.**

**Both teens face charges of criminal damage, with the case now under the review of the Atchison County Attorney's Office.**

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