Suspicious Incident - Possible Child Luring

Incident Summary

A juvenile Trinity student reported to RFPD that on Feb. 12th, at approx. 1645hrs, she was walking southbound on the east sidewalk in the 1500 block of Lathrop. As the student walked past St. Vincent School, a southbound vehicle stopped near her and the driver yelled “Hey Ma, come get in the car”. When she did not respond, he yelled “I’m talking to you.” The student then ran to safety and when she looked back, the vehicle was no longer on Lathrop, indicating it may have turned onto Lemoyne or Greenfield. Prior to the incident, the student was walking westbound on North Ave. from Panera Bread at 7400 North Ave, and it is unknown if she was followed from that location.

The student described the vehicle as a silver, older-model, Toyota 4-door sedan. The student described the subject a black male, approx. 20 years old, wearing a big black coat and a red and yellow “beanie” hat. The student was unable to provide further description.

Left: A map of the area around the 1500 block of Lathrop. The green star marks the approximate location of where the subject called to the student from his vehicle. Note proximity to St. Vincent School.

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