

Man robbed, kidnapped from motel room at gunpoint, forced to go to ATM

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LANCASTER, N.Y. (WKBW) - Four people were arrested last Thursday for allegedly kidnapping a man from his motel room and forcing him at gunpoint to go to a convenience store to withdraw money from an ATM.

Officers were originally called about a robbery at a convenience store at Genesee and Transit in Lancaster. But when they arrived, they found a man who had locked himself in the store's bathroom.

He told officers he had been robbed at his motel room on Freeman Drive and then forced into a car at gunpoint and driven to the store. He told police he was forced to go inside and told to withdraw money from an ATM, but instead locked himself in the bathroom and called police.

Depew and Cheektowaga Police found the suspect's vehicle in the parking lot of a nearby supermarket on Transit Road, where they arrested a 43-year-old man and three women, ages 37, 28, and 20. All of the suspects are from Rochester. Their names were not released.

All four are charged with second degree kidnapping, second degree robbery, fourth degree grand larceny, criminal possession of stolen property, criminal possession of a controlled substance with intent to sell and second degree menacing.

Police did not say if the suspects and victim knew one another or how the alleged kidnapping began.

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