Stolen SUV recovered Thursday (KAIR)--The latest in a rash of vehicle thefts is reported in Atchison County, with investigators later locating the SUV outside the county lines.

Atchison County Sheriff Jack Laurie, in a news release, said the 2008 Toyota Sequoia was reported stolen during the early morning hours of Tuesday.

According to the report, it was taken while parked at a residence located at 16207 262nd Road, with the owner saying he had last seen the vehicle around 10:00 Monday night.

Laurie, on Thursday, told MSC News the vehicle was located in Leavenworth.

No suspects are immediately known.

Laurie said investigators aren't ruling out a connection with a rash of other vehicle thefts, and residential burglaries, under investigation in Atchison County.

Laurie is making a push for residents to protect themselves in an attempt to keep from falling victim as the unknown suspects continue their crimes, which range from residential burglaries to vehicle thefts. "Number one is lock the vehicles, lock the houses, and make sure they're secure at night, and don't leave your keys in the vehicle. If they have cameras, or some type of surveillance or alarm system, make sure they're on and set and ready to go."

Laurie said remaining aware of suspicious activity, and reporting it to his office, could help play a role in identifying suspects. He encourages all residents to do that by calling 913-804-6080.

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