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Platte City man sentenced to 26 months for vehicle burglary, theft

LEAVENWORTH, Kan. — A Platte City, Missouri, man was sentenced to 26 months in prison Friday for charges related to the burglary of a vehicle and theft of two pickup trucks and other property.

Charles W. Brown Jr., 34, was sentenced during a hearing Sept. 11, 2026.

Brown was sentenced to 14 months in prison for one count of vehicle burglary and six months for each of two counts of theft. The court ordered the sentences to run consecutively to any previous cases.

According to court documents, between July 25 and July 27, 2025, surveillance video captured a vehicle later determined to have been driven by Brown entering a commercial property on Amelia Earhart Road northwest of Leavenworth while the business was closed.

Over a three-day period, Brown stole two pickup trucks and items from a vehicle.

Brown was arrested in another jurisdiction. He was driving one of the stolen pickup trucks at the time of his arrest.

Authorities recovered both pickup trucks and returned them to their owners.

The judge also ordered Brown to pay court costs and $5,136.80 in restitution.

Leavenworth County Attorney Todd Thompson said, “This defendant chose to take vehicles and other property that did not belong to him. That’s wrong. These crimes caused financial harm and disruption for the victims and the business owners.”