

# LEON COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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### Two Juveniles Arrested in Golden Eagle Investigation

At approximately 11:30 p.m. on June 27, 2011, the Leon County Sheriff's Office and the Tallahassee Fire Department responded to 2998 Golden Eagle Drive in reference to a house fire. Deputies and Firefighters arrived and discovered a portion of the residence smoldering. The remaining indicators of fire were extinguished; however, tens of thousands of dollars in damage was done to the home.

Homeowners told deputies, firefighters and investigators with the State Fire Marshal's Office that the family was asleep in the upstairs portion of the residence when they heard the doorbell ring. Before homeowners could get down the stairs, they heard glass break, a bang and then saw fire in a front room. The homeowners were able to get all family members out of the house safely.

Since then, detectives have canvassed neighborhoods and conducted interviews with area residents, developing two juveniles as persons of interest. After speaking with parents and their attorney, Jonathan G. Howard, 16, and his 14 year old brother Christopher G. Howard were interviewed about the incident. The brothers confirmed their involvement in this incident and surrendered to authorities at the Juvenile Assessment Center today.

#### ARRESTED

Jonathan G. Howard  
Juvenile  
(No photograph available)  
Charge: Felony Criminal Mischief

Christopher G. Howard  
Juvenile  
(No photograph available)  
Charge: Felony Criminal Mischief

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