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Property Crime Task Force Arrests Juveniles in Vehicle Burglaries

On May 28, 2021, at around 3 a.m., detectives and investigators with the Leon County Sheriff's Office and Tallahassee Police Department Property Crimes Task Force were conducting proactive patrols in response to recent vehicle burglaries in the residential areas of Tharpe Street. During this time, members of the task force observed two individuals walk into an apartment complex in the 2700 block of Tharpe Street and begin to "car shop" by checking car door handles, apparently looking for unlocked vehicles. Eventually, the two juveniles entered several unlocked vehicles, unlawfully, and were observed doing so by the LCSO Aviation unit.

At this point, law enforcement units, including LCSO uniform patrol, LCSO K9, and TPD uniform patrol set up a perimeter and contact was made with the individuals and they fled from officers on foot. Officers apprehended two juveniles, 14-year-old Keilyn Thomas and 16-year-old Jeremiah Ceasor, shortly after. During the investigation, task force members learned the two juveniles were burglarizing vehicles to find firearms. Members also learned one of the juveniles was responsible for several other vehicle burglaries around Tallahassee in which multiple firearms were stolen. Based on the information provided during the investigation, detectives and investigators determined the juveniles involved were responsible for over thirty vehicle burglaries. Detectives and investigators are working to recover the stolen firearms and other property associated with the burglaries.

Thomas and Ceasor were arrested and transported to the Juvenile Assessment Center.



ARRESTED: Keilyn Thomas

DOB: 03/10/2007

CHARGES: Burglary of Conveyance (37 counts)

Armed Burglary

Grand Theft of a Firearm

Resisting without Violence

Loitering and Prowling



ARRESTED: Jeremiah Ceasor **DOB**: 10/14/2004

CHARGES: Burglary of a Conveyance (38 counts)
Resisting without Violence
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