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Woman Arrested After Children Found Unresponsive in Home

Yesterday, about 1:15 P.M., deputies with the Leon County Sheriff's Office were called to the 6000 block of Dome Level Road in reference to a one-year-old child and a three-year-old child found unresponsive inside the residence by 26-year-old Brittany Delgado.

When deputies arrived on scene, both children were unconscious and not breathing and both children felt very warm to the touch. Deputies began life saving measures until the Tallahassee Fire Department and Leon County EMS arrived on scene. Both children were taken to a local hospital. When they arrived at the hospital, both children had internal temperatures of over 106.5 degrees and were suffering from heatstroke-like symptoms. The one-year-old was pronounced deceased shortly after arriving at the hospital. The three-year-old child is still in critical condition.

Delgado and her boyfriend were transported to the Sheriff's Office to be interviewed.

While conducting the investigation, detectives found a space heater in the room where the children had been found. The heater was unplugged but on the "high" setting. The temperature in the room, about 45 minutes after the children were found and the door was opened, was in the high 80's.

Detectives with LCSO's Special Victim's Unit were able to develop probable cause for the arrest of Delgado for Aggravated Manslaughter of a Child and she was taken to the Leon County Detention Facility. Due to Florida Statute, the relationship between Delgado and the children cannot be disclosed. More charges are anticipated as the investigation continues.

Through the investigation, Delgado's boyfriend was determined to be in the country illegally and was turned over to Immigration and Customs Enforcement.



NAME: Brittany Delgado **AGE:** 26

CHARGES: Aggravated Manslaughter of a Child



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