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*Case: FD20-0131 – Burglary 3rd Degree, 3100 block of 10th Avenue South
FD20-0145 – Shots Fired, 300 block of G Street
FD20-0195 – Carrying Weapons/Trafficking Stolen Weapons, 600 block of North 15th St.
FD20-0196 – Burglary 3rd Degree, 1300 block of 6th Avenue North*

On January 15, 2020, at approximately 8:30 A.M., the Fort Dodge Police Department received information about a burglary that had taken place in the 3100 block of 10th Avenue South in Fort Dodge. The victim indicated that an undisclosed amount of money, one firearm and other items were stolen during the burglary. Throughout the course of the investigation, investigators discovered that juveniles were likely responsible for the burglary in the 3100 block of 10th Avenue South, and had sold or given the stolen firearm to other juveniles.

Upon further investigation and speaking to the juveniles believed to be involved, investigators learned that the stolen firearm was once again stolen by another juvenile in the 1300 block of 6th Avenue North in Fort Dodge. As information developed, investigators were able to recover several items that were stolen during the initial burglary in the 3100 block of 10th Avenue South.

On January 17, 2020 at approximately 4:19 A.M., the Webster County Telecommunications Center received a 911 call about shots fired that just taken place in the 300 block of G Street in Fort Dodge. Patrol officers responded to the area, and found that one residence and one vehicle sustained damage from gunfire. There were no injuries to any person(s) during this incident.

Investigators continued to follow up with information and leads on both the burglary investigations and the shots fired investigation, ultimately determining that the two incidents may be related. Multiple search warrants were executed throughout Fort Dodge, and investigators were able to recover the majority of the stolen items – including the firearm that was involved.

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On January 22, 2020, officers with the Patrol Division and investigators with the Criminal Investigation Division arrested a 14-year-old juvenile male, and a 13-year-old juvenile female on the following charges in relation to the above mentioned cases;

The 14-year-old male was charged with the following:

- Intimidation with a Dangerous Weapon – C Felony
- Burglary in the Third Degree – D Felony
- Going Armed with Intent – D Felony
- Reckless Use of a Firearm – Aggravated Misdemeanor
- Carrying Weapons – Aggravated Misdemeanor
- Possession of Stolen Property – Serious Misdemeanor

The 13-year-old female was also charged with the following;

- Trafficking Stolen Weapon – C Felony
- Burglary in the Third Degree – D Felony
- Carrying Weapons – Aggravated Misdemeanor
- Transferring Firearm to Person Under the Age of 21 – Serious Misdemeanor

As a result of these charges, both juveniles were transported to the Central Iowa Juvenile Detention Center in Eldora to await proceedings within the Juvenile Court System. Due to their age, their identity will not be disclosed.

The Fort Dodge Police Department's Patrol and Investigative Divisions are continuing to examine these incidents, and additional charges are possible as the investigation progresses. As with any criminal charge, these individuals involved are considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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