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ARREST RELEASE

On March 2, 2016 at about 11:55 p.m., Rockford Police Officers responded to a residence in the 1600 block of Remington Road for a report of an armed robbery. A 24-year-old Rockford man reported he was walking in the street near his residence when he was approached by three suspects in a dark blue Chevy Lumina. Two of the suspects got out of the car, and one suspect pointed a handgun at him and demanded money. The second suspect punched him in the face and then went through his pockets, removing cash and a cellular telephone. As the suspects ran back to the vehicle and fled from the area, the victim heard a gunshot. The victim provided the vehicle and suspect descriptions to the officers on scene and that information was broadcasted regionally in an attempt to locate the suspects.

At about 12:35 a.m., Winnebago County deputies located the suspect vehicle in the area of School Street and Central Avenue. When the deputies initiated a stop, the suspects fled in the vehicle and the deputies gave chase. The vehicle crashed into a fence at Springfield Avenue and School Street in a one car collision and the suspects fled on foot. The Deputies took the two listed suspects into custody and located two handguns and the stolen property inside the vehicle. Both the Winnebago County Sheriff's Department and the Rockford Police Department established a perimeter on the area and commenced a search for the third suspect; however, the third suspect was not located. The incident was not a random attack and was likely drug related.

After extensive interview and follow-up, the suspects were lodged in the Winnebago County Jail and should be considered innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Arrested:

Deantonio Biffle, 25-year-old Rockford resident – Armed Robbery

Laquan Foat, 25-year-old Rockford resident – Armed Robbery and Reckless Discharge of a Firearm



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