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ARREST RELEASE

District 2 Rockford Police Officers make Firearm arrests.

July 17, 2015

On Friday, July 17, 2015, Rockford Police Department District 2 officers responded to an address in the 2900 block of 9th Street to serve a Failure to Appear arrest warrant on 33 year old Deborah Macias. While on scene, officers located a loaded Remington, 20 gauge pump shotgun, hidden in an unattached garage.

Officers investigated the incident and arrested a Rockford resident for possessing the firearm.

Arrested and Charged:

Zachary M. Sanders, 26 year old male, Rockford
Charge: Unlawful Use of a Weapon by a Felon

Deborah Macias, 33 year old female, Rockford
Charge: FTA Warrant

Zachary Sanders and Deborah Macias are presumed innocent unless convicted in a court of law.



July 19, 2015

On July 19, 2015, members of the Rockford Police Department District 2 M3 Street Crime Unit were conducting patrols in the Orton Keyes Housing Development. Orton Keyes is owned and operated by the Rockford Housing Authority.

While conducting surveillance in the 2800 block of Echo Street, officers saw two male subjects make an exchange, which appeared to be a firearm. As officers approached, Maurice Brady fled from officers. While running, Brady dropped a loaded Springfield Arms 9mm handgun, which was reported stolen in 2011. Officers apprehended Brady as well as Montel Brown, who was the person who handed Brady the weapon. Brown was a resident of the Orton Keyes Housing development, however Maurice Brady was not. Officers searched Brown's residence and located several rounds of .22 caliber firearm ammunition.

Arrested and Charged:

Montel D. Brown, 19 year old male, Rockford

- Unlawful Use of Weapons
- Possession of a Stolen Firearm
- No Firearm Owners Identification Card (FOID)

Maurice B. Brady, 21 year old male, Rockford

- Unlawful Use of Weapon by a Felon
- No Firearm Owners Identification Card (FOID)
- Resisting Arrest
- Possession of a Stolen Firearm
- Possession of a Firearm by a Street Gang Member

Montel Brown and Maurice Brady are presumed innocent unless convicted in a court of law.

The Rockford Police Department and the Rockford Housing Authority work together to provide a safe environment for the residents living in public housing. If anyone has information about crime occurring in Rockford or in properties owned by the Rockford Housing Authority, call 815-987-5824 or CrimeStoppers at 815-963-7867.



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