Press Release







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One arrested after investigation of gunshot alert

On Tuesday, October 22, 2024 at 11:10 P.M., officers from the Lake City Police Department were dispatched to NW Washington Street to the report of a FLOCK gunshot detection alert.

Upon arrival, officers spoke with two individuals who were seated in a parked vehicle near the location of the suspected gunshot.

During the investigation, a spent shell casing was found on the ground near the rear passenger side of the vehicle. While questioning the occupants, Derion Leonard Lewis admitted there was a firearm inside the vehicle. A check of the firearm revealed that the ammunition matched the caliber and manufacturer of the spent shell casing found at the scene.

"The investment the city has made in purchasing this technology has tremendously improved our response to and investigation of gunshots," stated Assistant Chief of Police Andy Miles. "The FLOCK gunshot detection system provides exact locations to our officers at the moment a firearm is discharged, allowing officers to respond before suspects can flee the scene or destroy evidence."

Lewis was arrested and transported to the Columbia County Detention Center without further incident.

Name: Lewis, Derion Leonard

DOB: 09/04/1999 Sex/Race: Male/Black Hair/Eyes: Black/Brown

Address: 632 NE Washington Street, Lake City, FL 33055 Charges: Discharging a Weapon on Residential Property





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