

PRESS RELEASE

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Southern Pines Police Department Announces an Arrest in a Kidnapping and Stolen Motor Vehicle Incident

Southern Pines, NC - The Southern Pines Police Department announces an arrest in a kidnapping and stolen motor vehicle incident. On Friday, July 5, 2019, at 9:05 pm, a driver for “DoorDash,” an on-demand food delivery service arrived at the Timberlane Apartments in the 100 block of Murray Hill Road in Southern Pines. The driver reported observing an unusual number of people in the area when she arrived to make a delivery. The female delivery driver exited the vehicle, leaving it running and unlocked. Inside the vehicle was the driver’s one year old son. As the driver was making the food delivery, a black male was observed approaching the vehicle and subsequently stealing the vehicle. On Friday, July 5, 2019, at approximately 10:15 pm, the vehicle and one year old child were located on South Gaines Street in Southern Pines. The vehicle was parked and unoccupied, with the exception of the one year old child who was unharmed and promptly reunited with his mother.

On July 10, 2019, the Southern Pines Police Department took into custody, a fourteen (14) year old male. This juvenile is a resident of Southern Pines, North Carolina, and was located in Aberdeen, North Carolina by officers from the Southern Pines Police Department’s Investigation Division. This juvenile was charged with First Degree Kidnapping and Theft of a Motor Vehicle.

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