Press Release







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Arrests made in shooting on SE Dade Street

On Saturday, October 8, 2022 at 6:23 P.M., officers from the Lake City Police Department were dispatched to SE Dade Street to the report of gunshots. Before arriving, officers were advised by Lake City Police Department Communications officers of two persons shot who were being transported by private vehicle to the hospital.

Upon arrival at the hospital, officers spoke with two male victims, one with a wound to the shoulder and the other with a wound to the wrist. Both were treated for their injuries.

Officers arriving on the scene discovered the entirety of the scene covered three city blocks along SE Avalon Avenue. The scene was secured, witnesses were interviewed.

The crime scene was processed by Investigators from the Lake City Police Department's Criminal Investigation Division with the assistance of Crime Scene Technicians from the Columbia County Sheriff's Office.

During the course of the investigation, investigators followed up on leads which lead to the arrest of a juvenile and Demontre Paul Ward 10/18/2003 both charged with four counts of Attempted Murder.

Name:	Ward, Demontre Paul
DOB:	10/18/2003
Sex:	Male
Race:	Black
Hair:	Black
Eyes:	Brown
Address:	123 NW Rebel Place Lake City, FL 32055
Charges:	Attempted Murder four counts





Report information anonymously by calling the LCPD TIPS line at 386-719-2068 or Crime Stoppers of Columbia County at 386-754-7099.

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