

# DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT

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### Attempt First Degree Murder

On August 22, 2022, the DeKalb Police Department responded to the 800 block of South 8<sup>th</sup> Street for a report of shots fired. Upon arrival, a juvenile victim was located with an apparent gunshot wound to his back. The victim was able to provide officers with the names and descriptions of his assailants.

A witness to the shooting was able to pursue the offenders on foot and pull a backpack off one of the offender's back. A subsequent search of the area by DeKalb Police Department led to the arrest of the two (2) offenders, and the recovery of a 12-gauge shotgun from the aforementioned backpack.

The victim is recovering from the injuries sustained in the incident.

The two suspects have been detained with formal charges pending through the State's Attorney's Office. Their names are not able to be released due to being juveniles:

**Juvenile #1: M/W/13 years of age from DeKalb, Illinois**

**Juvenile #2: M/W/14 years of age from DeKalb, Illinois**

Special thanks to the witness who assisted the DeKalb Police Department bring this incident to an end. Thanks to the members of the DeKalb Police Department and the DeKalb Fire Department for their diligent and professional work. Thanks to the DeKalb County State's Attorney's Office for their professionalism and dedication to the residents of DeKalb, Illinois.

**\*\*All persons are presumed innocent until proven guilty\*\***

*If you witnessed this incident or have any information that can help with this investigation, please contact the DeKalb Police Department.*