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PRESS RELEASE

Pittsburg Robbers Caught in Parsons

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On October 30th the Parsons Police Department received information from Pittsburg Police Departments Investigations Division about an Armed Robbery that took place in their city. A bulletin was released with a vehicle description and tag information along with a juvenile person of interest and a photograph of the suspect David Lamont Young III, 20, of Parsons.

On October 31st Parsons Police Sergeant Waylon Kepley spotted a vehicle matching the description match the bulletin release in the 1400 block of Appleton. Acting Kansas Combined Anti-Drug Taskforce Commander (K-CAT) Commander Kyle Wiford was contacted about the vehicle. While setting up controlled surveillance three individuals exited a residence and go into the vehicle. Sgt. Kepley followed the vehicle while officers responded to assist in a "High Risk Traffic Stop", Sgt. Kepley initiated a traffic stop at Central and Crawford and the vehicle sped off from officers. A pursuit ensued and the suspect vehicle crashed into a stop sign and another vehicle in the 300 block of South 18th blowing a tire out. The suspect vehicle lost its tire in the 1300 block of Appleton and two of the three occupants fled on foot. Officers gave chase and David Young and a juvenile was apprehended. The third occupant was

identified as the vehicle owner and Young's girlfriend, Kayla Talley. She was later released. A weapon in connection to the robbery was recovered from the vehicle.

Young's local charges are Felony Fleeing and Eluding, Aggravated Child Endangerment, and a litany of traffic infractions relating to the pursuit. He is also being charged in Crawford County in relation to the Aggravated Robbery. The juvenile that was arrested had multiple Labette County Warrants, but charges are being sent to the Labette County Attorney for Interference with Law Enforcement Officer as well.

A search warrant was obtained by the Parsons Detectives for David Young's residence. The search warrant was executed by Parsons and Pittsburg Detectives. Evidence connected to the Aggravated Robbery was collected from the residence.

Acting Commander Kyle Wiford said, "I want to thank Sergeant Kepley for his diligence and attention to detail. He and the rest of the officers were instrumental in the apprehension of the violent offenders. I also want to thank the Pittsburg Investigations Division for their assistance in the investigation and the teamwork during this case."

Parsons Police Chief Robert Spinks says, "teamwork is key to any successful operation and I believe that we have a great team here at the Parsons Police Department. Our men and women work well with other agencies and that is how great policework is done."

This continues to be an on-going investigation and citizens are encouraged to "See It, Hear It, Report It." If anyone has any further information on this incident or any other criminal activity, please contact the Parsons Police Department at 421-7060 or call the Tip Line at 421-7057 or email at tips@parsonspd.com.

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