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Last night at approximately 6:15 p.m. a gang related shooting occurred when several juvenile gang members from a local criminal Hispanic street gang approached a residence near the 300 block of Berrypark Place and fired rounds into a home and into a vehicle parked nearby. Fortunately, no one was struck by the gunfire. After searching the immediate area, officers also discovered two homes on Vista Park Drive were struck by gunfire; however, there were no injuries.

Caldwell officers have been working tirelessly since the shooting to identify those responsible. Today, brave community members who placed their trust in the Department, came forward and provided crucial information which ultimately identified persons of interest. Shortly thereafter, detectives developed probable cause and subsequently arrested two juvenile gang members from Caldwell without force or incident. During the arrest, a stolen firearm was recovered. Detectives later obtained a search warrant for a residence on the 3600 block of Middlepark Way and recovered another firearm.

A 14-year-old male was arrested for a probation warrant and a 17-year-old male was arrested for two counts of shooting into an occupied dwelling, possession of a stolen firearm and gang enhancements.

"We are absolutely repulsed by the disturbing trend of violence involving children as shooters in recent months. The police department is not responsible for raising your children. We all need to do our part. These kids are out shooting up houses for fun, thinking they are gangsters in a Hollywood movie. Enough is enough! Luckily, no one was injured in another cowardly act of violence in Caldwell. I commend our brave community for stepping up and trusting us to do our part and our amazing team who prioritized this investigation to ensure these hoodlums were brought to justice immediately," said Rex Ingram, Caldwell Chief of Police.

Caldwell Police Detectives are continuing to investigate and if you have any information, please call 208-343- COPS or non-emergency dispatch at 208-454-7531.



All individuals are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.