



# NEWS RELEASE

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**JUVENILES CHARGED IN CONNECTION WITH  
THE OCTOBER 25, 2023, SHOOTING IN THE  
AREA OF HALPINE STREET AND NORTH 2<sup>ND</sup>  
STREET, PATERSON, NJ**

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PATERSON, NEW JERSEY:

January 12, 2024

Passaic County Prosecutor Camelia M. Valdes and Paterson Police Department Officer-In- Charge Isa Abbassi announce that a 15-year-old male from Paterson, and a 16-year-old male from Paterson were arrested yesterday in connection with the October 25, 2023, shooting which occurred in the area of Halpine Street and North 2<sup>nd</sup> Street, Paterson, New Jersey. The juveniles are charged with acts of juvenile delinquency that would constitute the crimes of Attempted- Murder, first degree; Unlawful Possession of a Weapon, second degree; and Possession of a Weapon for an Unlawful Purpose, second degree, if they were adults.

On October 25, 2023, members of the Paterson Police Department were dispatched to the area of Halpine Street and North 2<sup>nd</sup> Street in Paterson, New Jersey on a report of a shots fired. Upon arrival members of the Paterson Police Department located a 14-year-old juvenile who sustained a non-fatal gunshot wound and was transported to St. Joseph's University Medical Center in Paterson, New Jersey for treatment. Police were able to locate a potential crime scene in the area.

A juvenile delinquency complaint is merely an accusation. Despite these accusations, the juveniles are presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt. The matter has been referred to the Passaic County Family Court, Juvenile Part, for further proceedings.

The Passaic County Prosecutor's Office asks anyone with additional information about this incident to contact us on our tips line at 1-877-370-PCPO or [tips@passaiccountynj.org](mailto:tips@passaiccountynj.org) or contact the Paterson Police Shooting Investigation Unit at 973-321-1342.

For media inquiries concerning this incident, contact Chief Assistant Prosecutor Kelly M. Walsh of the Passaic County Prosecutor's Office at [kmwalsh@passaiccountynj.org](mailto:kmwalsh@passaiccountynj.org) or at (973) 837-7656.