



Hamilton County Sheriff's Office

Jim Neil, Sheriff

MEDIA RELEASE



SOFAST TASK FORCE MAKES ARRESTS IN FOUNTAIN SQUARE INCIDENT

Hamilton County, Ohio, July 22, 2015 – Hamilton County Sheriff Jim Neil reports the Southern Ohio Fugitive Apprehension Strike Team (SOFAST), a joint task force comprised of deputies with the Hamilton County Sheriff's Fugitive Warrants Unit and the U.S. Marshals, has apprehended two suspects recently wanted in connection with an incident on Fountain Square.

On, July 22, 2015, the SOFAST Task Force arrested Tyre Burke, male black age 18, at an apartment located at 1733 Sycamore Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. Mr. Burke was wanted on felony charges of Aggravated Riots and Inducing Panic in connection with an incident which had occurred on Fountain Square on July 4, 2015. When Officers approached the apartment they witnessed Mr. Burke attempting to flee out the fire escape. At that time Mr. Burke was taken into custody and placed under arrest.

On July 20, 2015, Orlando Thomas, male black age 18, was also apprehended by the SOFAST Task Force at 314 Gaff Street, Cincinnati, Ohio 45202. Mr. Thomas was also a suspect in the Fountain Square incident and is facing felony charges of Aggravated Riots and Inducing Panic. Mr. Thomas has been arraigned. Both individuals are currently being held at the Hamilton County Justice Center.

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