



NEWARK POLICE DEPARTMENT

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PRESS RELEASE

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SUBJECT: Multi-Jurisdictional Graffiti Investigation Results in Arrest of Six Graffiti Vandals

An ongoing multi-jurisdictional graffiti investigation has resulted in the arrest of six juveniles responsible for causing over \$10,000 in graffiti vandalism throughout the Newark area including White Clay Creek State Park.

Investigators from the Newark Police Department, Delaware State Parks Enforcement, Delaware State Police, New Castle County Police, University of Delaware Police and Elsmere Police contributed to the investigation which included four residential search warrants.

Arrested: 16 year old from the unit block of Rhythm Court, Newark

- Arrested on September 20th for 2 counts of graffiti
- Released on \$100 unsecured bail into custody of parents

Locations Vandalized:

- Capital Trail in area of Cleveland Avenue
- White Clay Creek State Park

16 year old from the unit block of Minor Court, Newark

- Arrested on October 13th for 2 counts of graffiti
- Released on \$1,000 unsecured bail into custody of parents

Locations Vandalized:

- Capital Trail in area of Cleveland Avenue
- White Clay Creek State Park

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17 year old from 700 block of Worcester Avenue, Middletown

- **Arrested on October 5th for 6 counts of graffiti**
- **Released on \$7,000 unsecured bail into custody of parents**

Locations Vandalized:

- **Library Avenue Bridge**
- **Olan Thomas Park**
- **200 Block of Happy Lane**
- **300 Block of Ruthar Drive**

15 year old from 200 block of Kenmark Road, Newark

- **Arrested on October 5th for 3 counts of graffiti**
- **Released on \$3,000 unsecured bail into custody of parents**

Locations Vandalized:

- **Library Avenue Bridge**
- **Christina Parkway near South College**
- **Christina Parkway near Elkton Road**

13 year old from unit block of Lynch Farm Drive, Newark

- **Arrested on October 13th for 4 counts of graffiti**
- **Released on \$3,300 unsecured bail into custody of parents**

Locations Vandalized:

- **Library Avenue Bridge**
- **Olan Thomas Park**
- **300 Block Ruthar Drive**

15 year old from unit block of Korda Drive, Newark

- **Arrested on October 13th 2 counts of graffiti**
- **Arrested on summons and released into custody of parents**

Locations Vandalized:

- **Library Avenue Bridge**
- **Olan Thomas Park**

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The Newark Police Department would like to stress that it is important for business and home owners to promptly report graffiti vandalism to the police, and once it is documented, the graffiti should be removed.

Anyone with additional information on graffiti vandalism should contact Cpl. Greg Micolucci at (302) 366-7110 x 406 or greg.micolucci@cj.state.de.us You can send an anonymous text message tip by texting 302NPD and your message to TIP411. Information can also be provided anonymously to Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at www.tipsubmit.com where a reward may be available.

The Newark Police Department affirms that all defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

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