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Broome Sheriff's Road Patrol Finds Missing Juveniles Minutes After Flock License Plate Reader Locates Stolen Vehicle in the City of Binghamton

(BINGHAMTON, NY) Two missing juveniles were successfully located by the Broome County Sheriff's Office Road Patrol within minutes of a stolen vehicle triggering a Flock license plate reader in the City of Binghamton.

On Monday, June 27, 2026 around 7:00 PM, members of the Broome County Sheriff's Road Patrol responded to a report of a 2008 Cadillac DTS stolen from a residence on Porter Avenue in the Town of Fenton.

While canvassing the area of the crime, deputies obtained CCTV camera footage from nearby residents showing two juveniles walking in the area shortly before the vehicle was reportedly stolen. The juveniles in the footage matched the description of two runaway juveniles listed in separate active BCSO missing persons cases.

As the investigation unfolded, the Broome County Sheriff's Strategic Response Group utilized Flock license plate readers to identify a successful hit on the stolen vehicle in the area of Chenango Street and Bevier Street in the City of Binghamton.

Within minutes, patrols located the stolen vehicle, now unoccupied and disabled, in the area of 519 Chenango Street and the two missing juveniles walking nearby.

The juveniles informed patrols that the keys were left in the vehicle they had just driven and were positively identified as the juveniles missing from the Children's Home of Wyoming Conference.

The juveniles had with them a victim's backpack that was in the stole vehicle, and one of the juveniles was wearing the victim's clothes found in the stolen backpack at the time of their arrest. Inside the stolen backpack was a Motorola cell phone, that was reported missing after a vehicle break-in on Ogden Street in the City of Binghamton. A pocketknife, gloves and multiple

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screwdrivers were also found in the juveniles' possession.

One of the juveniles, age 13, was charged with Grand Larceny in the 4th Degree, a Class E Felony, which will be processed through the Family Court system. The other juvenile, age 11, will receive differential response protocols and community-based assistance. Both juveniles were returned to their legal guardians and the stolen items were documented and returned to the victims.

“More phenomenal work by our BCSO Road Patrol and Strategic Response Group utilizing modern technology to quickly and safely locate these missing juveniles and recover property stolen from multiple locations in our community,” said Sheriff Fred Akshar. “If not for these Flock license plate readers, these children may still be missing, out on the street or in serious danger. This case is yet another excellent example of why license plate readers can play such an important role in helping law enforcement keep our communities safe.”

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