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Child Death Investigation September 7, 2021

Pres Release Date:
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Incident:
Child Death Investigation
Date of Incident:
September 7, 2021
Time of Incident:
9:36 pm

Location:
220 Richardson Court

The Nashville Police Department responded to 220 Richardson Court at approximately 9:36 pm on September 6, 2021 and assisted the Nashville Fire Department and Nash County Emergency Medical Services (EMS). The Nashville Fire Department and Nash County Emergency Services provided life-saving measures (CPR) to a 1-year-old infant and a 4-year-old child. Both children were transported to the Nash UNC Hospital for further treatment, and both were later transferred to Vidant Hospital in Greenville. Nash County Department of Social Services was notified and has assisted in the investigation.

The investigation revealed that Oxycodone was on the bed within reach of both children and the children accidentally ingested the drug. The mother's boyfriend was interviewed and subsequently charged with the following criminal charges on the date of the incident:

Kameron Daekwon Harris-Brooks
13122 Great Laurel Road, Charlotte NC

- Possession with Intent to Sell and Deliver a Schedule II Controlled Substance
- (2) counts of Misdemeanor Child Abuse

Harris-Brooks was placed in the Nash County Jail under a \$225,000 secured bond.

On September 9, 2021, these tragic circumstances took the life of the 1-year-old child. We are sending prayers for the older child who is currently in stable condition and the families of all involved.

After the death of the infant, investigators consulted with the District Attorney's Office and those charges were upgraded to Involuntary Manslaughter, Possession with Intent to Sell/Deliver Schedule II Controlled Substance, and Child Endangerment for Harris-Brooks. In consultation with the District Attorney's Office, the mother of the children (Jorese Howard) was also arrested for the same charges.

Jorese Howard
220 Richardson Court

- Involuntary Manslaughter
- Possession with Intent to Sell and Deliver a Schedule II Controlled Substance
- Child Endangerment

Howard was placed in the Nash County Jail under a \$50,000 secured bond.

(NOTE: Kameron was initially charged with two counts of child endangerment however, one count for Josiah has been upgraded to Involuntary Manslaughter and his bond was changed to a \$260,000 secured bond.)

Harris-Brooks currently has pending criminal charges of Larceny of a Firearm and Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon and was previously released on those charges under a \$100,000 secured bond. He has previous convictions for Breaking and Entering, Felony Larceny, Breaking and Entering a Motor Vehicle, Conspiracy to Commit Robbery with a Dangerous Weapon, and Felony Probation Violation.



Kameron Harris-Brooks



Jorese Howard

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