



## Wyckoff Police Department PRESS RELEASE

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**TO: ALL NEWS MEDIA**  
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**For Immediate Release:**

**On February 20, at approximately 4:00 AM, a resident of Wayfair Circle reported three individuals were attempting to steal a vehicle from his driveway. The resident advised that he was monitoring the suspects through his doorbell camera and provided updates to responding patrol units. A perimeter of the area was quickly set up with the assistance of Franklin Lakes Police and North Haledon Police. While searching the immediate area, Sgt. Michael DeMaio observed fresh footprints in the snow leading towards the North Haledon border. P.O. Kevin Oldewurtel further observed similar footprints in the yard of a home on Ahnert Avenue in North Haledon. Following the footprints, P.O. Oldewurtel located three suspects hiding in a creek. The suspects matched the description provided by the caller of the parties he observed in and around his vehicle. With the assistance of Sgt. DeMaio and a Franklin Lakes officer, the three suspects were taken into custody. They were identified as Jaheem Dozier, Newark NJ, age; 18, a 15-year-old male from Newark NJ, and a 16-year-old male from Newark NJ. Dozier was charged with conspiracy to commit theft of moveable property, theft, and burglary. He was processed and released pending a court date. The juveniles were charged on Juvenile Delinquency Complaints with conspiracy to commit theft and burglary. They were processed and released to the custody of family members. P.O. Terrence Murphy and P.O. Michael Flim assisted with the investigation and arrests. The Wyckoff Police Department would like to thank the Franklin Lakes Police Department and the North Haledon Police Department for their assistance in successfully apprehending the suspects.**

*The Wyckoff Police Department would like to point out that the above individuals have been charged with a crime, offense, and or motor vehicle violations. However, they are presumed innocent unless and until they are found guilty in a court of law.*

*We cannot stress enough the value of our residents remaining alert in their neighborhoods and reporting anything unusual or suspicious to the police, “Hear It! See It!, Report It!”*

*We encourage all residents to report ANY suspicious persons, vehicles, or activity occurring at any time to the Wyckoff Police – County Communications Center at 201-891-2121 or 911 in the event of an emergency.*