

# New Bedford Police arrest two juveniles on gun charges after chase

New Bedford police detectives assigned to the Narcotics and Gang Units have arrested two juvenile males on gun charges following a chase.

On July 22, detectives received information that a gang conflict was escalating. Individuals known to be involved with the conflict were observed operating scooters with their faces covered, wearing dark, heavy clothing. Upon noticing police, they began operating erratically to evade them.

One 16-year-old juvenile dumped his moped and was apprehended by police. During the struggle, he was observed attempting to reach into his waistband. Detectives successfully secured him and found that he was concealing a loaded .22 revolver. He was also found to be in possession of approximately 4 grams of crack cocaine.

One 17-year-old juvenile also dumped his moped and was chased on foot by detectives. He was observed reaching into his waistband and tossing a loaded, .380 caliber semi-auto into a nearby yard. He was subsequently apprehended and taken into custody.

Both males were charged with numerous motor vehicle offenses, and illegal possession of a firearm and ammunition during the commission of a felony. The 16-year-old was also charged with possession with intent to distribute crack. The 17-year-old is currently on juvenile probation out of Third District court stemming from charges in 2020 of assault with a firearm and assault and battery by means of a blunt object.

The arresting detective was Bruce Szyndlar.