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**Assault on a Public Servant**

New Braunfels, Texas — On July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019, at approximately 10:20pm, the New Braunfels Police Department was called to the 1300 block of Azalea Lane for a report that a 16-year old male that had been recently entered as a runaway was at that location. Officers arrived on scene and attempted to detain the male so he could be returned to his family. However, the teen resisted and began actively fighting the officer's attempts to detain him. During that struggle, the officer's leg and ankle was seriously injured and the subject was able to escape his grasp and flee the scene on foot.

A number of additional officers then responded to the area and a perimeter was established in that neighborhood. A DPS helicopter was called in to help locate the subject and at approximately 11:40pm the teen was located hiding in some brush in a backyard in the 1300 block of Poppy Lane. The subject was then detained in handcuffs and transported to the New Braunfels Police Department for juvenile processing. During that process, the teen resisted being searched, adding an additional charge.

The subject was eventually transported to the Guadalupe Juvenile Detention Center and charged with:

- Aggravated Assault on a Public Servant – 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Felony
- Evading Arrest causing Serious Bodily Injury – 3<sup>rd</sup> Degree Felony
- Resisting Arrest, Search, or Transport – Class A Misdemeanor

The officer, a patrol officer in his 3<sup>rd</sup> year with the New Braunfels Police Department, was transported to Resolute Hospital with serious but non-life threatening injuries. He has since been released from the hospital and is now resting at home with his family.

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