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Fort Worth Police Arrest Suspects in Copper Cable Theft

FORT WORTH, Texas – Three suspects are behind bars for their involvement in copper cable theft after the Fort Worth Police Department completed a recent investigation.

On Monday, January 20, 2025, Northwest Division officers responded to a suspicious person call in the 2900 block of Shamrock Ave. where it was reported that three people appeared to remove copper from a building. Once officers arrived at the location, officers arrested three suspects.

During the investigation, officers utilized information from their neighboring law enforcement partners, the Lake Worth Police Department, the Real Time Crime Center, and surveillance video to determine where the copper was taken from, and confirm the suspects' involvement.

The investigation recovered 155 pounds of copper wire valued at \$675.80.

Each suspect was charged with one count of Theft of Material aluminum/bronze/copper/brass, under \$20K; a felony offense.

Danny Kempe, 57, of Fort Worth Sheldon Witt, 48, of Fort Worth Darcie Jackson, 42, of Granbury The mugshots are available in the media portal.

Copper cable theft is an offense that affects and disrupts critical communication services for citizens and businesses alike. The Fort Worth Police Department will continue to work in collaboration with all stakeholders to address and combat metal theft. The excellent work conducted between the Lake Worth Police Department, and detectives from the Northwest Property Crimes Unit, Metal Theft Unit, and Northwest Patrol is attributed to the success of this case.

The Fort Worth Police Department reminds the public to report any suspicious activity.

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