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County Police Investigate Arson, Two Suspects Charged

Elizabeth Township, Allegheny County – On July 9, 2020 at 3:37 AM, the Elizabeth Township Police and Buena Vista Volunteer Fire Department (VFD) responded to a call for a commercial structure fire. The fire involved the pool house at the Buena Vista VFD Community Pool located on Styche Street across from 3333 Fire Station Road. After extinguishing the fire, local officials contacted the Allegheny County Fire Marshal's Office. There were no known injuries reported, but incendiary devices were found at the scene (Molotov Cocktails).

The investigative assistance of the Allegheny County Police General Investigations Unit was requested. Detectives responded and investigated, quickly developing information that led them to identify two 13-year-old juvenile males as the persons responsible for setting the fire. Those juveniles were both processed through the juvenile justice system with several felony charges to include arson and offenses related to manufacturing and possessing incendiary devices.

Anyone with information concerning this incident is asked to call the Allegheny County Police Tipline at **1-833-ALL-TIPS** (1-833-255-8477); callers can remain anonymous. The department can also be reached via its social media channels.

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