

# City of Madison Police Incident Reports

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Incident report for Case#2012-229904	
<b>Incident Type</b>	Arson Investigation
<b>Incident Date</b>	08/14/2012 - 3:21 AM
<b>Address</b>	Walton Place near Yahara Place
<b>Victim</b>	Male, age 22, Madison
<b>Details</b>	<p>The MPD is looking into arson as the possible cause of a car fire early Tuesday morning. Residents who live near Walton Place and Yahara Place reported hearing an explosion around 3:30 a.m. The passenger compartment of a car on the street was on fire, and window fragments from the vehicle were found up to 60-feet away. One resident reported seeing two white "teenagers" walking in the area just prior to the blaze. Both were described as being tall and thin, wearing dark colored shorts and light colored shirts. One was carrying some type of bag. The Madison Fire Department put out the fire, and the MPD is working the MFD on this investigation.</p> <p>Anyone with information is asked to call Madison Area Crime Stoppers at 266-6014. Callers can remain anonymous and may be eligible for up to a \$1,000 reward. The car's owner, a 22-year old Madison man, said there was nothing flammable or explosive inside the vehicle, and he knew of no mechanical problems which could have caused an explosion and fire.</p> <p>Earlier in the morning, around 1:15 a.m., the MPD responded to a dumpster fire in the 700 block of W. Washington Ave. A resident said she awoke to hear the sound of a bottle exploding, and someone screaming. She looked out to see flames coming from the dumpster and from items placed near it.</p> <p>There have also been a couple of other dumpster fires in the central city in the past few days. It is not known if any of these incidents are connected, but again, anyone with information should call Crime Stoppers. If you see suspicious activity near a dumpster or car, you should call 911.</p>
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