



## Press Release

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**AGENCY:** CARVER COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE  
**SHERIFF:** JIM OLSON (802JK)  
**CLASSIFICATION:** THEFT OF MOTOR VEHICLE  
**LOCATION:** VICTORIA, MN  
**TELEPHONE:** 952-361-1212

Carver County Sheriff Jim Olson reports that on May 18, 2018, at about 1:17 AM, deputies observed what they believed to be a road rage incident between two cars, stopping both vehicles at MN 5 and Bavaria Rd. Just after stopping the vehicles, deputies received a report of a stolen vehicle taken from the 2400 block of Acorn Point in Victoria. One of the suspect vehicles was the stolen vehicle.

The vehicle owner, Gilbert Junge (41) of Victoria, was awakened by the sound of squealing tires, which he learned was his vehicle being stolen. He immediately reported the theft to law enforcement. Gilbert had parked his vehicle, a Dodge Ram 1500, with the doors unlocked and keys in the center console. The vehicle contained personal property such as a laptop computer, Apple iPad, the reporting party's wallet, and a GPS.

Deputies learned the second vehicle, a Toyota, was also likely stolen. It is believed to have been stolen from a rental car company near Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport.

The stolen Dodge was occupied by three juvenile males. The stolen Toyota was also occupied by three juvenile males. Five of the juveniles were age 15 or younger. The sixth juvenile was 17 years old. Four of the six initially provided false names and dates of birth, but deputies were able to use information shared from Scott County Sheriff's Office to identify the juveniles.

During the investigation, deputies learned the juveniles had traveled to Victoria in the stolen Toyota and had tampered with several motor vehicles in Victoria neighborhoods before stealing Gilbert's truck and being stopped by deputies.

One of the juveniles was detained and transported to Carver County Juvenile Detention Center and held on charges of theft of motor vehicle, motor vehicle tampering, and providing false name and date of birth to law enforcement. The other five juveniles were eventually released to their parents.

The case remains under investigation by the Carver County Sheriff's Office. Once the investigation is complete, the case will be submitted to the Carver County Attorney's Office for prosecution. Anyone with information about this case is encouraged to contact the Carver County Sheriff's Office by calling 911 or the administrative number, 952-361-1231.

If you need assistance from police, fire or medical personnel call 9-1-1. Anyone with information related to this incident or any crime is asked to contact the Carver County Sheriff's Office at 952-361-1231 or use the tip line 952-361-1224. Our tip form is at <http://www.co.carver.mn.us/departments/county-sheriff/crime-prevention/crime-tips>