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NEWS RELEASE

Juvenile Arrested Following Shooting Incident at Myrtle Point Park

LEONARDTOWN, MD (April 2, 2026) – A 17-year-old juvenile has been arrested and charged as an adult following a shooting incident on Wednesday evening at Myrtle Point Park in California.

At approximately 6:53 p.m. on April 1, deputies from the St. Mary's County Sheriff's Office responded to Myrtle Point Park for reports of shots fired. When deputies arrived, they located and detained several individuals in the area.

While securing the scene and interviewing individuals, deputies made contact with a juvenile who was found to be in possession of a Glock 23 .40-caliber handgun. The juvenile was taken into custody without incident.

The juvenile was charged with carrying a handgun upon their person, carrying a loaded handgun on their person, possession of a firearm by a minor, and reckless endangerment.

Juveniles are not publicly identified due to legal protections.

The investigation is ongoing.

Detectives from the Criminal Investigations Division have assumed the case. Detective Warren Forinash is the lead investigator, and anyone with information about the incident is asked to contact him at 301-475-4200, ext. 8072, or by email at Warren.Forinash@stmaryscountymd.gov.

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