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BENCH WARRANTS LEAD TO ARREST OF REGISTERED SEX OFFENDER

Pittsburgh PA ---- Sheriff Kevin M. Kraus announced today that deputies have apprehended a fugitive registered sex offender wanted on numerous bench warrants and a warrant for new sex assault charges.

26-year-old Youssiff Howie is a tier 1 registered sex offender who had last registered an address in Penn Hills as his residence in December of last year. On Wednesday, January 25, 2023, deputies on the fugitive squad developed information that Howie was actually at a residence on Letsche Street in Pittsburgh's North Side.

Upon arrival at the apartment, deputies were told that Howie was not there. A subsequent search located Howie in a rear bedroom of the apartment and he was taken into custody without incident. In addition to 3 bench warrants, Howie is facing new charges of indecent assault and corruption of minors involving a warrant from the City of Pittsburgh, and will also be charged with a violation of Megan's Law for not residing at his registered address.

Deputies also located a man named Lacy Colbert inside of the apartment and determined that Colbert was wanted on a warrant issued by Carnegie Police in 2020 charging him with 2 counts of endangering the welfare of children. Colbert was taken into custody on that warrant and the individual who first answered the apartment door, Keith McDaniel, was charged with hindering apprehension.

All three were transported to the Allegheny County Jail.

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