



NEWS RELEASE

Chicago Police Department

Larry Snelling
Superintendent

For Immediate Release
February 21, 2026

Contact: Office of Communications
312-745-6110

Offenders Charged with Multiple Felony Counts of Murder, Aggravated Vehicular Hijacking, Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm



Offender #1: Marquese Hill, 18 – 3600 block of S. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr., Chicago, Illinois

Charges: Two (2) felony counts – Murder - First Degree
Two (2) felony counts – Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm - Occupied Vehicle
Two (2) felony counts – Vehicular Hijacking - Agg - Handicapped
Two (2) felony counts – Vehicular Hijacking - Agg - Firearm
Three (3) felony counts – Vehicular Hijacking - Agg - Weapon
One (1) felony count – Attempt - Vehicular Hijacking - Aggravated - Weapon
One (1) felony count – Aggravated Battery/Peace Officer

Court: Detention Hearing – 2600 S. California – February 21, 2026

Offender #2: Male juvenile, 17

Charges: Two (2) felony counts – Murder - First Degree
Three (3) felony counts – Vehicular Hijacking - Aggravated - Weapon
One (1) felony count – Attempt - Vehicular Hijacking - Aggravated - Weapon
Two (2) felony counts – Aggravated Discharge of Firearm - Occupied Vehicle

Court: Detention Hearing – 1100 S. Hamilton – February 21, 2026

Narrative: The above offenders were arrested on February 19, 2026, at 9:42 a.m. in the 3500 block of S. Martin Luther King Jr. Dr., and at 4:07 p.m. in the 8300 block of S. Morgan, respectively. They were identified as the offenders responsible for a February 11, 2026, crime spree that included two murders and multiple vehicular hijackings. At approximately 3:56 a.m., the offenders fatally shot a 22-year-old male during the commission of a vehicular hijacking of that victim and a 38-year-old male in the 700 block of W. Waveland (19th District). Less than one hour later, the offenders shot and killed a 45-year-old male in the 3700 block of S. Lake Park Ave. (2nd District). The offenders also attempted to take a vehicle at gunpoint from a 70-year-old male in the 4200 block of S. Wentworth (9th District) before committing an additional aggravated vehicular hijacking of a 38-year-old male at approximately 5:11 a.m. in the 8600 block of S. Lafayette (6th District). Offender #1 is also charged in connection with a January 10, 2026, vehicular hijacking which occurred at approximately 4:03 a.m., in the 7500 block of N. Claremont Ave. (24th District). The offenders were later placed into custody and subsequently charged accordingly. No additional information is available at this time.

###