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Arrest Made in Shooting of Four Teenagers

Tacoma, Wash. – On May 21, at 5:34 p.m., South Sound 911 received reports of shots fired in the area of S. 56th St and Yakima Ave. A vehicle with five teenagers had stopped for a light at S. 56th and Yakima Ave. A vehicle pulled up next to them, and the driver fired shots at the teenagers. The suspect vehicle then fled.

Four of the five teenagers in the victim vehicle were injured in the shooting. They drove to a local hospital for medical treatment.

The shooting victims were a 15-year-old female, a 16-year-old female, a 17-year-old female, and a 17-year-old male. An 18-year-old male victim was also in the vehicle but was not hit by gunfire.

Detectives and forensic staff identified the shooting suspect and developed probable cause for his arrest.

Today, just before 5:00 p.m., officers arrested the 19-year-old male suspect at a residence in Tacoma.

The suspect was booked into the Pierce County Jail for five counts of Assault 1 and one count of Drive-By Shooting.

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