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Richard R. Schmidt Acting Sheriff

Deputies Serving Court Papers Find Three Small Children Left Alone

Milwaukee, WI – In the fifth incident within the past few weeks, deputies placed children with Child Protection Services due to parents or relatives not attending to their responsibilities. Reported earlier were incidents of a male repeat drunken driver with a PBT of .19 crashing on the freeway with a 5-year-old in the car who had not been in a car seat or belted in; a female drunken driver with a PBT of .20 driving recklessly on I-43 with a 6-year-old child who also was not in a car seat or belted in; relatives who lost track of a 3-year-old child who was found wandering alone after dark in McGovern Park; and an unsupervised 4-year-old child in an abandoned house with drug paraphernalia

Today, deputies serving papers at a residence at about 8:00 a.m., found three children, ages 6, 1 and 5 months left alone. The baby was in a crib, and the other two were sleeping on a couch.

The mother, Cherron Miller, age 29, of Milwaukee, returned to the residence from her job as a school bus driver, and said "some guy" whose name she did not know, had been watching her kids. The grandmother arrived and said she did not know they were at the home alone.

Acting Sheriff Richard Schmidt said, "Children need constant supervision and love from their parents or guardians. Law enforcement and social services will protect children who are neglected, however, no system can replace parents."

Miller faces up to 27 months in jail if convicted on three counts of Child Neglect.

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