

# UPDATE: SECOND PERSON ARRESTED IN CONNECTION WITH CHILD ABUSE INVESTIGATION

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UPDATE: (1/25/19)- A second person has been arrested after a baby was taken to the hospital with serious injuries.

According to the Raleigh County Sheriff's Office, 22-year-old Allyson Faye Herron was arrested following the investigation. Herron is now charged with Accessory after the fact, giving False Information to Medical Personnel, and Child abuse resulting in serious bodily injury.

Michael Chase Burgess was arrested on additional charges including Malicious Assault and giving false Information to Medical Personnel.

Herron is currently in Southern Regional Jail facing a \$250,000 bond, while Burgess faces a \$500,000 bond.



These arrests stem from an investigation where both individuals were in the care of their eleven-week old infant.

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BECKLEY, WV (WOAY) - A Beckley man is in jail facing child abuse charges with serious bodily injury.

According to court documents, On Saturday, January 19, 2019, Michael Burgess brought an eleven-week-old baby to Raleigh General Hospital. Upon examination, it was discovered the infant sustained several injuries to include a head injury, broken ribs on both sides of his body, and a broken lower left leg. The child had to be transported to Charleston and be placed on a ventilator.

An investigation revealed that the child's injuries were caused by trauma and not by accident. A witness told police that she witnessed Burgess violently shake the child and began to have seizures. Burgess stated during an interview that he slammed his son on the floor because he became aggravated while watching him.

Burgess is in Southern Regional Jail under a 250,000 dollar bond.