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NEWS RELEASE

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Fireworks Victim Receives Help from Shriners Hospital

Two boys, ages 7 and 8, sustained significant life altering injuries on Sunday, July 9th after lighting fireworks that exploded on them at Dr. Carver Park in Bunnell. The boys claimed they found the fireworks laying around but detectives believe they came from a burglarized fireworks business where dozens of extremely dangerous and altered fireworks were stolen.

Sheriff Rick Staly, a Shriner and member of the Bahia Shrine, reached out to the Shriners and their children's hospital network to provide care for the child who lost his hand. The Shriners agreed to provide care at no costs to the family, but the hospital is located in Tampa, Florida. When the Shriners couldn't provide transportation, Sheriff Staly authorized a COP unit and volunteer to drive the family to Tampa and bring them home after the doctor's visit.



Faizon Brown, 9 years old, with his parents at Shriners hospital in Tampa, FL, on Tuesday.

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“Having to go through such a traumatizing accident at such a young age is very sad,” Sheriff Staly said. “I wanted to see them get the best care they could and I knew Shriners Hospital for Children would be there to help. I’m glad that we were able to assist so that this young man can get the medical help he needs.”



Fazion Brown and his family in front of the Shriners Hospital for Children in Tampa, FL

Shriners Hospitals for Children has a mission to provide the highest quality care to children with neuromusculoskeletal conditions, burn injuries and other special healthcare needs within a compassionate, family-centered and collaborative care environment. For more information, visit: <https://www.shrinershospitalsforchildren.org/>

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