



## Officer Rescues Child from Dog Attack

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### *From the Evansville Police Department:*

At approximately 7:35 p.m. Saturday, Evansville Police Officer Matt Hastings was on patrol when he observed a child being attacked by two dogs.

Officer Hastings heard a child screaming for help in the 1200 block of Judson Avenue, when he saw the boy on his bicycle.

A full-size German Shepherd suddenly knocked the boy off his bike, and with the assistance of a black Dachshund, the dogs attacked the boy on the ground. The Shepherd bit an eight-year old on his right calf while the Dachshund attempted to bite him on the arm.

Officer Hastings quickly drove to the scene and was able to chase the dogs off and away from the juvenile.

The juvenile ran to his house to tell his mother what had happened, when the dogs started toward Officer Hastings.

The German Shepherd attempted to bite Hastings, but was struck in the snout with the officer's baton. At that time, the Dachshund bit the officer in the shin, but was also struck with his baton and released its bite.

The German Shepherd ran to the front porch of 1214 Judson while the Dachshund lay stunned from the strike.

Animal Control was contacted and was able to take custody of both dogs.

The owner of the dogs, Terina S. Tinsley of 1214 Judson, was cited with two city ordinance citations for "failure to vaccinate pets" and two misdemeanor citations for "failure to control dogs."



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