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D.U.I. ARREST LEADS TO CHILD ABUSE CHARGES IN WASHINGTON COUNTY TN.

According to Sheriff Ed Graybeal, On Monday Deputies arrested 28 year old Jennifer Rodgers of Johnson City for Driving under the Influence and Schedule II drug violations after investigating a crash on Bob Davis Road in Gray. Later that evening Deputies were dispatched to 405 Laurel Brook Court to conduct a welfare check on Rodgers 2 year old child. There deputies discovered that the child had apparently been in a high chair for hours while 27 year old Jacob Leonard of Gray was asleep in a separate room. Leonard had to be physically awoke by deputies and appeared to be under the influence of an unknown substance. According to deputies the child was saturated in urine, and Leonard was subsequently arrested for Aggravated Child Abuse and Neglect and Simple Possession/Casual Exchange. Leonard is being held at the Washington County detention Center on a \$20,000 dollar bond. After the preliminary investigation Rodgers was also charged with Child Endangerment and is also currently being held on a \$7,500 bond. Both are scheduled to appear in court later today.





