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On Saturday July 18, 2020, at 1909 hours, Desert Hot Spring Police Department Officers responded to the 9600 block of Vista Del Valle on a report of a 7-year-old child found lying unconscious in the street. The child was transported by medics to Desert Regional Medical Center and then airlifted to Loma Linda Medical Center with a critical closed head injury.

Officers began searching the area for evidence and witnesses to help explain how the child was injured. During their investigation officers determined the child had been deliberately attacked and injured. A person of interest was identified, and Desert Hot Spring Police Department Officers were assisted by the Riverside Sheriff's Department and California Highway Patrol in locating this subject.

On July 19, 2020, at 0134 hours, Daniel Poulsen, 32-years-old, was arrested. Poulsen has been booked in jail and charged with attempted murder.

Anyone with information pertaining to this investigation is encouraged to contact Detective Tooth at 760-329-2904 Ext: 352.

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Media Inquiries should be directed to Doria Wilms, Assistant City Manager and Public Information Officer for the City of Desert Hot Springs at (760) 333-0518 or via email at [dwilms@cityofdhs.org](mailto:dwilms@cityofdhs.org)

Anyone wishing to provide additional information on this case should contact Det. Tooth with the Desert Hot Springs Police Department at (760) 329-2904 ext. 352 or the Watch Commander, (760) 329-2904 Ext.302. If you wish to remain anonymous you can call Crime Stoppers at (760) 341-STOP.

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