# New Bedford woman charged with abandoning 11-year old on dark road in Mattapoisett

Police arrested 28-year old Marina Johnson of New Bedford and charged her late Friday night with 2 counts of reckless endangerment of a child under 18 and 1 count of abandonment of a child under 18.

According to New Bedford police, Johnson left her 11-year old son on a dark road in Mattapoisett all alone. The child walked to the first house he could find and asked the resident to call 911. Mattapoisett Police then contacted New Bedford Police.

In a joint investigation they located Johnson at the House of Hope on Mt. Pleasant Street. She was there with her other 7-year old son. When Police began to question her, she asked to put the 7 year old down to bed but instead fled out the rear door taking the 7 year old out into the frigid temperature.

Police began searching the immediate area for her and the child. With the help of Mattapoisett Police, she was located behind Simons Bath and Showroom on Mt. Pleasant Street. The department of Children and Families (DCF) were notified and will also be investigating.

Video by Carlos Pimentel Felix.