

Home Invasion Hospitalizes One, Lands Two In Jail

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**(KNZA)--Two arrests are made in connection with a violent Hiawatha home invasion that sent one to the hospital.**

**According to a news release issued by Hiawatha Police Chief John Defore, it happened May 16, at 121 Apache Street, where three suspects reportedly broke into a home and battered and robbed the occupant, binding their victim's hands behind his back before fleeing the scene of the alleged crime.**

**The victim, 30-year-old Ray Atlakson, was transported to the Hiawatha Community Hospital by Town and Country Ambulance Service for the treatment of his injuries.**

**Defore says the investigation has led to the arrest of two Sabetha residents, 21-year-old Edgar Martinez and 23-year-old Jazmene Hicks. Both were taken into custody on Friday with the assistance of the Kansas Highway Patrol, Sabetha Police, and the Nemaha County Sheriff's Office.**

**On Monday, formal charges of aggravated robbery, aggravated burglary, aggravated battery, and criminal restraint were filed by Brown County Attorney Kevin Hill.**

**Martinez and Hicks each remain held in the Brown County Jail on a \$175,000 bond.**

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