Juveniles allegedly involved in stabbing caught near Lex

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Two juveniles from the Nebraska Youth Center in North Platte were caught and arrested a mile east of Lexington early Tuesday morning.

Dawson County Sheriff Gary Reiber said the youths were eastbound on Interstate 80 and stopped by sheriff deputies at around 2 a.m.

Arrested were Keenan Lambert, 19; and Jordan Baker, 16.

North Platte Police Department officials said police officers responded to the youth center after receiving a report of a double stabbing of youth center staff at about 12:30 am.

Officers arrived to find a 37-year-old employee and a 40-year-old employee stabbed with knives multiple times.

Suspects Lambert and Keenan were said to have fled the center in a stolen Dodge Avenger that belonged to an employee.

Both female victims were transported to the Great Plains Regional Medical Center where officials said their injuries are believed not to be life threatening.

However an article in the North Platte Telegraph said the 37-year-old may have been airlifted to Omaha for surgery.

Lambert and Keenan are in the Dawson County Jail pending formal charges.

Police officials said it's unclear as to roles the juveniles played in the stabbing but they were

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both expected to be charged as adults later Tuesday (yesterday).

The investigation is ongoing and more details are expected to be released at a later time.