

CRIME REPORT

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NOTEWORTHY INCIDENTS:

OFFENSE:Theft of Vehicle Essential Parts/AccessoriesDATE/TIME:01/06/2025 1:00 p.m. - 4:50 p.m.LOCATION:1600 Block of Howard AvenueREPORT #:25-00091

The victims Nissan Murano was parked on the roadway in the 1600 Block of Howard Avenue during the above time frame when the Unknown Offender(s) stole the dealership license plates from the vehicle. After the theft, the offender(s) fled the area.

Due to the recent increase in crime happening at the YMCA building located at 300 E. Northwest Highway, the following are reported incidents at that location:

OFFENSE: Criminal Damage to Property DATE/TIME: 12/29/2024 – 01/07/2025 LOCATION: 300 Block of Northwest Highway REPORT #: 25-00110

During the above dates the Unknown Offender(s) broke a glass window on the east side of the building. There did not appear to be any signs of attempt entry to the building and the window was broken by unknown means.

ARRESTS:

OFFENSE:	Domestic Battery
DATE/TIME:	01/02/2025 7:09 p.m.
LOCATION:	900 Block of Alfini Drive
REPORT#:	25-00034
SUBJECT NAME:	Edmonds, Erik
DATE OF BIRTH:	12/28/1989
ADDRESS:	960 Alfini Dr. Des Plaines, IL 60016



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On January 2, 2025, the victim came into the Des Plaines Police station to report that on December 31, 2024, she was involved in a domestic dispute with the above subject, Erik Edmonds, whom she shares a dating relationship with. The victim reported that during an argument with Edmonds, he pushed her causing her to hit her head on a counter. The victim left the property and at the time of the initial report, did not wish to pursue complaints against Edmonds.

On January 6, 2025, the victim contacted DPPD advising that she would now like to sign a complaint. Officers responded to the 900 Block of Alfini Drive where they contacted Edmonds and advised him of the report. Edmonds was taken into custody and transported to the Des Plaines Police station where he was subsequently arrested for one misdemeanor count of Domestic Battery. Edmonds was later brought to a Cook County courthouse for a detention hearing.

OFFENSE: DATE/TIME:	Possession of a Controlled Substance / Driving while License Suspended / Traffic 01/08/2025 12:18 a.m.
LOCATION:	Devon Avenue / Des Plaines River Road
REPORT#:	25-00114
SUBJECT NAME:	Albitar, Tarek
DATE OF BIRTH:	01/12/2003
ADDRESS:	4925 W. Carmen Ave. Chicago, IL 60630

Des Plaines Police were on patrol near the 2900 Block of Des Plaines River Road when a black Toyota Corolla was seen traveling on the roadway. The officer noted that there was a broken rear passenger side taillight and then ran the registration through the database when he was alerted that the registration was expired. Near the intersection of Devon Avenue and Des Plaines River Road the officers activated their overhead emergency lights and conducted a traffic stop of the Toyota. When the officer approached the driver's side of the vehicle, he spoke with the subject, Tarek Albitar. During conversation, the officer detected an odor of fresh cannabis emitting from within the vehicle and Albitar was asked about the smell. Albitar admitted there was cannabis inside and then turned over a jar containing a green leafy substance, suspected to be cannabis, from his hooded sweatshirt pocket. The officer noted that the jar did not appear to be an approved container. Albitar was asked if there was anything else in the vehicle to which he replied no and stated the officers could perform a search to verify. The officers asked Albitar to exit the vehicle and as they searched the vehicle, located a red backpack containing a small clear plastic bag containing an unknown pill. The officer asked Albitar about the pill when he then admitted that it was ecstasy. A check of Albitar's information alerted officers that he did not have a valid driver's license, said license was suspended by the Illinois Secretary of State.

Albitar was taken into custody and transported to the Des Plaines Police station where he was subsequently arrested for one felony count of Possession of a Controlled Substance, one misdemeanor count of Driving while License Suspended and ticketed for Expired Registration. Albitar was cited and released with his court information.



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(Photo in reference to the above subject, Tarek Albitar)

Please remember that although a person may be charged with a crime, a charge is merely an Accusation, and the person is innocent until proven guilty.