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CRIME REPORT

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NOTEWORTHY INCIDENTS:

OFFENSE: Burglary to Motor Vehicle
DATE/TIME: 7/21/25 6:23am
LOCATION: 2300 block of S. Mount Prospect Rd.
REPORT #: 25-03878

Employees from the business arrived at work and found multiple trucks had been broken into. There were various ways access was gained to include some broken windows. Multiple construction materials and tools were removed. Surveillance review pending and complaints to be signed.

OFFENSE: Hit and Run
DATE/TIME: 7/22/25 12:50pm
LOCATION: 2100 block of Lee St.
REPORT #: 25-03909

Victim related a silver in color Ford Explorer struck her vehicle and then fled the scene. Complaints to be signed.

OFFENSE: Identity Theft
DATE/TIME: 7/22/25 12:30pm
LOCATION: 900 block of Oakton St.
REPORT #: 25-03919

Victim came into Des Plaines Police Department to file a report for unauthorized charges on his credit card. He made note of 6 unauthorized charges at various liquor stores/gas stations in the area. The card has been frozen and charges are pending.

OFFENSE: Criminal Damage to Property
DATE/TIME: 7/22/25 9:05pm
LOCATION: 1200 Block of Forest Av.
REPORT #: 25-03930

Victim advised he has been in a verbal dispute over unpaid services. He related he came out to his car and observed one of his vehicle tires were punctured with a sharp object. Surveillance footage



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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:

There were no incidents at this location during the above time frame.

ARRESTS:

OFFENSE: Possession of a Controlled Substance
DATE/TIME: 7/21/25 1:03am
LOCATION: 935 E. Oakton St.
REPORT#: 25-03875
SUBJECT NAME: Lopez Hernandez, Ernesto
DATE OF BIRTH: 4/13/2002
ADDRESS: 4446 13th St., Milwaukee, WI 53221

Des Plaines officers observed an equipment violation and conducted a traffic stop. Upon approach, officers observed partially smoked joints visible in the center console. A further search of the vehicle revealed more marijuana and MDMA pills. They were transported to the station, processed, and released with a court date.

OFFENSE: Battery
DATE/TIME: 7/21/25 10:34am
LOCATION: 255 Grove Av.
REPORT#: 25-03883
SUBJECT NAME: Puscasu, Leonard G
DATE OF BIRTH: 1/21/2000
ADDRESS: 1636 Hills Av., Des Plaines IL 60016

Des Plaines officers were dispatched to a dispute between two parties. Upon arrival, officers identified the offender as Leonard Puscasu. They requested him to identify himself to which he refused. He was further continuing to consume an alcohol beverage in public despite being asked to dispose of the can. After refusing to comply, he was taken into custody. He was charged with minor battery, resisting arrest, and open alcohol in public. He was given a court date and released.

OFFENSE: Aggravated Battery, Criminal Damage to Property, Assault, Disorderly Conduct
DATE/TIME: 7/21/25 5:35pm
LOCATION: 1165 Lee St.
REPORT#: 25-03890
SUBJECT NAME: Puscasu, Leonard G



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DATE OF BIRTH: 1/21/2000

ADDRESS: 1636 Hills Av., Des Plaines, IL 60016

Des Plaines officers were dispatched to 1165 Lee St. for an irritated patron. Upon arrival it was learned the suspect was the same as the suspect from earlier in the day, Leonard Puscasu. Leonard was yelling at staff for the temperature of his food and attempted to batter one of the employees. He also grabbed a TIP jar from the counter and broke it on the floor. Leonard then turned his aggression towards a patron and threw a paper bag at her. She responded by spraying Leonard with pepper spray. Des Plaines police took him into custody and he was transported to a bond hearing.

OFFENSE: Reckless Driving

DATE/TIME: 7/22/25 9:55am

LOCATION: 413 W. Touhy Av.

REPORT#: 25-03901

SUBJECT NAME: Rios, Martin Jr.

DATE OF BIRTH: 7/23/2002

ADDRESS: 10624 Ridge Dr., Chicago Ridge, IL 60415

Des Plaines officers responded to an accident where there was a reported roll over crash. Upon arrival they spoke with multiple witnesses on scene who related the driver, Martin Rios Jr., was observed weaving in and out of traffic at a high rate of speed. While traveling at a high rate of speed, the traffic in front of him came to a stop which resulted in Martin striking the back of a landscaping trailer. Martin was cited and released with a court date.

OFFENSE: Aggravated Battery

DATE/TIME: 7/23/25 3:18pm

LOCATION: 1418 Miner St.

REPORT#: 25-03932

SUBJECT NAME: Brown, Christian

DATE OF BIRTH: 11/12/2006

ADDRESS: 34 S. 16th Av., Maywood, IL 60153

Des Plaines officers had suspect Christian Brown in custody for active warrants. While in custody, Christian was asked to move to the processing area for fingerprinting and photographing. Christian refused despite multiple requests. Christian was then picked up and carried to the processing area where he elected to throw his arms at officers and spit on one of the processing officers. He was additionally charged with Aggravated Battery to a police officer.



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