



CRIME REPORT

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NOTEWORTHY INCIDENTS:

OFFENSE: Attempted Theft of a Motor Vehicle
DATE/TIME: 01/23/2026 – 01/26/2026
LOCATION: 900 Block of Woodlawn Avenue
REPORT #: 26-00520

The victim, a 39-year-old male Des Plaines resident parked his Toyota Prius on the roadway on January 23, 2026, when the Unknown Offender(s) entered the vehicle and attempted to steal it. Officers observed the steering column was damaged and hanging down from the dash area and the victim reported seeing a piece of plastic in the ignition switch, commonly used to assist starting a vehicle without the keys. After causing the damage, the offender(s) were unable to steal the vehicle and then fled the area.

OFFENSE: Hit and Run Accident
DATE/TIME: 01/27/2026 3:30 p.m.
LOCATION: Golf Road / Wolf Road
REPORT #: 26-00547

The victim, a 30-year-old female Skokie resident, and the Unknown Offender were traveling west on Golf Road approaching the traffic circle when the offender entered her lane of travel and struck her Chevrolet Equinox with the attached trailer on the passenger side of the vehicle. After the accident, the offender fled the area without providing information and was last seen at Golf Road and Elmhurst Road driving a pick-up truck.

OFFENSE: Theft of a License Plate
DATE/TIME: 01/23/2026 – 01/27/2026
LOCATION: 900 Block of E. Evertt Avenue
REPORT #: 26-00549

The victim, a 31-year-old male Des Plaines resident, parked his vehicle in the 900 Block of E. Everett Avenue during the above time frame when the Unknown Offender(s) stole his license plate. Both the front and rear plates had been removed by the offender(s) who then left the scene.



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ARRESTS:

OFFENSE: Issuance of a Warrant
DATE/TIME: 01/28/2026 12:21 a.m.
LOCATION: 1500 Block of E. Miner Street
REPORT#: 26-00551
SUBJECT NAME: Funches, Jercobie
DATE OF BIRTH: 06/29/1981
ADDRESS: 1523 Court St. Kankakee, IL 60901

Des Plaines Police responded to the area of Miner Street and Pearson Street on January 28, 2026, at approximately 12:21 a.m. for the report of a subject refusing to leave the Pace Bus at the stop. When the officers arrived and due to previous interactions, they knew the subject to be the above subject, Jercobie Funches. Funches' information was run through the database and were alerted that he had a warrant through the Cook County Sheriff's Police Department. The warrant was confirmed valid and extraditable when Funches was made aware of the violation and taken into custody. He was transported to the Des Plaines Police station where he was subsequently arrested for the Issuance of a Warrant. Funches was later brought to a Cook County courthouse for a detention hearing.

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.