

## **BLOOMINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT**



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## Shooting Arrest Made; Juvenile in Custody

**Bloomington, IL** - On Monday, 12/27/2021, at approximately 7:22 p.m., Bloomington Police officers were dispatched to the 700 block of E. Wood St for a report of a shooting that occurred outside. Upon arrival, BPD officers located a 16 year old juvenile male who was suffering from a gunshot wound. The Bloomington Fire Department responded to the scene and provided medical attention to the juvenile. The juvenile victim was transported to Carle BroMenn Medical Center. At the time, the juvenile victim was considered in serious but stable condition.

This morning, 1/3/2022, at approximately 9:30 a.m., a 14 year old male suspect was arrested at his residence in Bloomington, without incident, as part of the shooting investigation. During the arrest, officers also located and seized an illegal, stolen and defaced firearm. The juvenile was later transported to the McLean County Juvenile Detention Center. Preliminary arrest offenses for the 14 year old juvenile are: Aggravated Battery with Firearm, Unlawful Use of a Weapon, Possession of Stolen Firearm, and Defacing Identification Marks of a Firearm.

"The men and women of the Bloomington Police Department are committed to solving violent crimes in this city, as well as preventing future shooting incidents. Their diligent effort led to the arrest and recovery of another illegally possessed firearm, the fifth of 2022. It is very unfortunate this tragedy occurred, but I am grateful this incident did not result in the loss of life. Our thoughts are with the victim and his family and we wish him a speedy recovery," said Chief Jamal Simington.

The circumstance(s) surrounding the incident is still under investigation. The 16 year old victim is still considered in serious but stable condition. Anyone with information should contact BPD Detective Kevin Raisbeck at 309-434-2593 / <a href="mailto:KRaisbeck@cityblm.org">KRaisbeck@cityblm.org</a> or BPD Detective Curt Maas at 309-434- 2534 / <a href="mailto:CMaas@cityblm.org">CMaas@cityblm.org</a>.

All suspect(s) are presumed innocent unless proven guilty in the court of law.

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If you wish to submit a tip and remain anonymous, please contact the Crime & Intelligence Analysis Unit (CIAU) at (309)-434-2963 or email CIAU@cityblm.org. The CIAU office is staffed from 8am-4:30pm, weekdays. If no one is available to answer your call, please leave the information on the voicemail or send it by e-mail.

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