



2/18/2022

Press Release

To: Area media outlets

From: Hampton Police Department

Re: Arrest of Joshua Blake

HAMPTON, NH- The Hampton Police Department has arrested and charged a Durham, NH man for multiple offenses stemming from a disorderly conduct call on Winnacunnet Road in Hampton.

On February 15, 2022 at approximately 10:20 pm, the department received a call from a residence on Winnacunnet Road stating that they heard a man yelling, "I'm going to kill you" and "I'm going to murder you", followed by two loud "pops".

Officers immediately responded to the area and observed a male leaving the immediate area of where the call came from. Officers were later able to identify this man as:

**Joshua Blake, 31
Durham, NH.**

When officers attempted to make contact with Blake, he began running from the scene. Officers searched the area and found Blake near the intersection of Winnacunnet Road and Viking Drive. Officers determined that Blake was highly intoxicated, disheveled, and covered in sand. Officers reported that Blake was uncooperative and that due to his level of intoxication, was being taken into protective custody. As officers attempted to take Blake into custody, he began tensing up and attempted to push off and pull away from the officers. Blake continued to physically resist with officers and grabbed onto one of the officer's shirt collars. Officers used a Taser to subdue Blake who continued to physically resist arrest. Officers were able to take Blake into custody after the use of the Taser. In the struggle, one officer sustained an injury to his hand and a torn uniform.

Blake continued to be combative and unruly in the back of the police cruiser and was transported directly to the Rockingham County Jail. No firearms or evidence of shots being fired were found. Further investigation determined that Blake had an outstanding, extraditable warrant out of the State of Maine for four counts of assault.

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As a result of the incident, Blake was charged with; Fugitive from Justice, Simple Assault (Class A Misdemeanor), Resisting Arrest or Detention (Class A Misdemeanor), Criminal Mischief (Class B Misdemeanor), Loitering (Class B Misdemeanor), and Disorderly Conduct (Class B Misdemeanor).

Blake was arraigned on February 16, 2022 in the Hampton District Court. He was ordered held on preventative detention until his next court date at the Hampton District Court on March 8, 2022 at 11:00am.

Anyone with information related to this incident is urged to contact the Hampton Police Department at 603-929-4444. Anonymous tips can be made through the Crimeline for the Hamptons at 603-929-1222.

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