



POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF BURLINGTON

MEDIA RELEASE

INCIDENT TYPE:	DATE/TIME REPORTED:	
Burglary / Stolen Property / Stolen Vehicle	June 1 ST , 2018 – July 11 TH , 2018	
INCIDENT NUMBER:	LOCATION:	
Multiple	Multiple	
INVESTIGATOR:	INVESTIGATOR CONTACT:	
Officer David Bowers	802-540-2344	
AUTHOR:	APPROVED BY:	
Sergeant My T. Nguyen	Sergeant James Trieb	
VICTIM:	AGE:	VICTIM ADDRESS:
Multiple	N/A	N/A
SUSPECT:	AGE:	SUSPECT ADDRESS:
Ronald L. Bevins	46	South Burlington, VT
SUSPECT DISPOSITION:		
See Narrative		

NARRATIVE:

Between June 1ST, 2018 and July 11TH, 2018, there have been approximately 39 reported burglaries to the Burlington Police Department. The majority of these incidents occurred in the Hill Section during early morning hours. Items stolen from these burglaries range from electronics, sporting equipments, musical instruments, bicycles, tools, house keys and car keys.

After a month long investigation conducted by the Burlington Street Crimes Unit, Ronald L. Bevins of South Burlington, VT was subsequently identified as being responsible for a number of these burglaries. Officers executed two search warrants; one for Bevins' residence and one for a stolen truck that was recovered near Bevins' residence. Officers located multiple stolen properties from the search of Bevin's residence and from the search of the stolen truck. Officers were able to link Bevins to numerous incidents based on the investigation and the items located.

On the afternoon of July 11TH, 2018, Bevins was located and arrested by Burlington Police Officers without incident. Bevins was charged with the following: Burglary (2 counts), Attempted Burglary (1 count), Felony Possession of Stolen Property – Stemming from a Burglary (1 count), Unlawful Mischief (2 counts), Driving with a Criminally Suspended License (1 count), and Violation of Conditions of Release (1 count). Bevins was transported to county jail on \$7500 bail while awaiting arraignment.



POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF BURLINGTON

Officers continued to conduct follow up investigations after Bevins' initial arrest. The investigation revealed that Bevins was responsible for a number of other incidents. At Burlington Police's Request, Bevins was located and arrested by Williston Police on the night of July 17TH, 2018. Bevins was charged with the following: Burglary (1 count), Grand Larceny (1 count), Possession of Stolen Property (1 count), Aggravated Operation of a Vehicle without Owner's Consent (1 count), Careless or Negligent Operation (1 count), Driving with a Criminally Suspended License (1 count), and Violation of Conditions of Release (1 count). Bevins was transported to county jail on \$2500 bail while awaiting arraignment.

A current booking photograph of Ronald L. Bevins is attached.

The Burlington Police Department encourages the public to follow the following guidelines:

Simple tasks to help keep you and your property safe:

- Lock all doors and windows.
- Try to keep first floor windows secured even during warm weather months, especially at night while asleep.
- Keep valuables out of public view.
- Never allow unknown individuals into your home, apartment building, or complex! This also applies to hosting parties where several unknown individuals are wandering in and out. They may be casing your apartment.
- Keep a detailed list of valuable items in your home, including serial numbers, make, model, and value. If possible, take photographs.
- Report suspicious activity immediately and give good detailed descriptions.
- Make your home look like someone is always home.
- Renter's insurance: If you don't have it, get it!
- Make sure the locks on all doors and windows secure properly; if not, contact your landlord to have them repaired.
- If you leave for vacation, limit the number of people you inform and be careful posting on social media that you are away from your home.
- When going on break from school, try to take your valuables with you. Do not leave electronics or jewelry behind.

If your home was broken into:

- Do not enter!
- Do not touch anything or clean up.
- Call the police - 911