



POLICE DEPARTMENT  
CITY OF BURLINGTON

**MEDIA RELEASE**

INCIDENT TYPE:	DATE/TIME REPORTED:	
Gunfire incident, Aggravated Assault	8-21-21 / 0234	
INCIDENT NUMBER:	LOCATION:	
21BU013386	Church and Main Street intersection, Burlington	
INVESTIGATOR:	INVESTIGATOR CONTACT:	
Det. Thomas Chenette	802-540-2271	
AUTHOR:	APPROVED BY:	
Detective Chenette	Sgt. Beliveau	
VICTIM:	AGE:	VICTIM ADDRESS:
Multiple		
SUSPECTS:	AGE:	SUSPECT ADDRESS:
Ibrahima Bangoura	19	Burlington
(Additional) SUSPECT DISPOSITION:		
Suspect was held without bail.		

**NARRATIVE:**

On Sunday August 22<sup>nd</sup>, Burlington Police Detectives identified 19-year-old Ibrahima Bangoura of Burlington as the person who reportedly threatened multiple individuals and bystanders with a light-equipped handgun near the intersection of Church and Main Streets during a busy bar-closing time the previous morning. Bangoura appears to have fired an errant round in the direction of the Superior Courthouse before turning the weapon toward a group on the opposite sidewalk and leaving the area.

At about [2130 hours] on the evening of the 22<sup>nd</sup>, Burlington Police Patrol Officers located Bangoura's vehicle and effected a high-risk motor vehicle stop on Elmwood Avenue, resulting in the safe arrest of Bangoura and recovery of a .40 caliber handgun with light attachment from the vehicle after a search warrant was granted the following day.

Bangoura was arraigned in Chittenden Criminal Court on Monday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>, on 3 counts of Aggravated Assault, 1 Count of Reckless Endangerment, and Driving with a Criminally Suspended license stemming from a DUI. He was held without bail and is currently incarcerated at the Northwest State Correctional Facility.

Police are still trying to identify additional victims and witnesses who were on Main Street at the time of the shooting, or who witnessed Bangoura brandish the weapon again a short time later at Simon's Downtown on South Winooski Avenue in Burlington. Please call the Burlington Police at 802-658-2700 with information.

Please find video clips of a portion of the incident below:

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