



**POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF BURLINGTON**

MEDIA RELEASE

INCIDENT TYPE:	DATE/TIME REPORTED:	
Aggravated Assault, Reckless endangerment	11/17/2023 0328 Hours	
INCIDENT NUMBER:	LOCATION:	
23BU027307	St. Paul Street & Maple Street	
INVESTIGATOR:	INVESTIGATOR CONTACT:	
Detective Beal	(802) 540-2364	
SUSPECT:	AGE:	SUSPECT ADDRESS:
Bobby Bethune	23	Burlington, VT
SUSPECT DISPOSITION:		
Bobby Bethune was taken into custody and released on conditions.		

UPDATE: March 4, 2024

On February 29, 2024, officers with the Burlington Police Department arrested Bobby Bethune, 23, of Burlington. Detectives identified Bethune as the perpetrator of the discharge of a firearm during a disturbance at St. Paul Street and Maple Street on November 17, 2023. No one was struck by the gunfire. Bethune has been charged with aggravated assault and reckless endangerment.

Bethune was arraigned on March 1, 2024 and released on conditions.

Bethune's criminal history includes 7 failures to appear in court, 5 charges for violating court orders or conditions with 2 convictions, 4 felony charges with no convictions, 23 misdemeanor charges with 17 convictions.

NARRATIVE:

At approximately 0328 hours this morning, police dispatchers with the Burlington Police Department received multiple 911 calls reporting the discharge of a firearm near the intersection of St Paul Street and Maple Street. When officers arrived, they encountered a man, 55, who identified himself as the victim. He exhibited signs of having been in a fight and was intoxicated to the point that he was ultimately deemed incapacitated and taken into custody. Officers nonetheless investigated his claims. That investigation indicated that there had been an altercation among the victim and three other males. During this altercation, police have probable

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cause to believe that a single gunshot occurred, possibly from within a jacket pocket on one of the males. No ballistics evidence was recovered and no persons are known to have been struck. This remains an open case.

It is the 15th gunfire incident of 2023.

Anyone with information about this incident is asked to contact the Burlington Police Department at (802) 658-2704.

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