



**POLICE DEPARTMENT
CITY OF BURLINGTON**

MEDIA RELEASE

INCIDENT TYPE:		DATE/TIME REPORTED:	
Domestic Disturbance		04/16/2024 0147 Hours	
Arrest on Warrant		04/16/2024 0219 Hours	
INCIDENT NUMBER:		LOCATION:	
24BU007602 24BU007603		800 Block of Pine Street	
INVESTIGATORS:		INVESTIGATOR CONTACTS:	
Officer Montalvo Officer Moran		(802) 540-2134 (802) 540-2144	
SUSPECT:		AGE:	SUSPECT ADDRESS:
Dakota Beams		22	South Burlington, VT
SUSPECT DISPOSITION:			
Dakota Beams was taken into custody and lodged.			

NARRATIVE:

On April 16, 2024, at approximately 1:47am, Burlington Police Department dispatchers received reports of an apparent domestic assault allegedly involving a firearm.

Upon arrival, responding officers found two people in a verbal argument and separated them. Neither person cooperated with officers insofar as describing the nature or severity of the domestic disturbance, meaning officers could not take enforcement action. Nevertheless, one of the involved persons had been previously cited earlier in 2024 on charges of reckless endangerment by gunfire. A rifle bag was seized from the apartment pending a search warrant. Officers determined that the person previously known to them was incapacitated by alcohol. By statute, in 18 VSA § 4802, “incapacitated” means, in part, that as a result of a person’s use of alcohol the person appears to present a direct active or passive threat to the safety of others. The person was transported to the University of Vermont Medical Center for detoxification, however the hospital deemed the individual sober enough for discharge, meaning he was permitted to go home.

Officers also determined that a third party at the scene, who was not directly involved in the domestic disturbance, had an active arrest warrant for assault with a deadly weapon. This individual was identified as Dakota Beams, 22, of South Burlington. Beams was taken into

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custody without incident, transported to the BPD for processing, and lodged at Northwest State Correctional Facility.

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

If you or someone you know are experiencing intimate partner violence, support can be found through:

- Vermont Network (802) 223-1302
- Steps to End Domestic Violence (802) 658-1996
- National Domestic Violence Hotline 1 (800) 799-7233

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