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USE of Force Report
January 01, 2022 – January 31, 2022

Total Number of Incidents for 1/1/22 – 1/31/22 – Incidents 1451

Total Number of UOF Incidents - 12

Total Uses of Force – 28

Percent of UOF Incidents vs. Total Incidents – % 0.82

Race/Gender of Arrestee/Subject in UOF Incidents

Black Male – 1

Black Female – 1

White Male – 7

White Female – 6

Incidents

#1 22BU000032 Arrest Misdemeanor Unlawful Trespass

Complainant/Officers Assigned
C Area

Complainant called stating the arrestee had been medically cleared by hospital but was refusing to leave and threatening to spit on people. The arriving officer was able to negotiate with the arrestee, who agreed to a ride from the officer to the railway station. While walking to the cruiser the arrestee refused the ride. The arrestee was told she would have to leave the hospital property or be arrested for unlawful trespass. The arrestee refused and the officers stated she was under arrest. The arrestee resisted by pulling her arms away when officers went to put her in handcuffs. Officer had to physically move her hands behind her back to place the arrestee into handcuffs.

White Female Age 46, 5'04" 180 lbs.

2 Officers

Officer 1 – Empty hand controls/handcuffing

Officer 2 – Empty hand controls

Officers – no injuries

Arrestees– no injuries



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#2 22BU000178 Arrest Simple Assault/Disorderly Conduct/Simple Assault on a Police Officer

Complainant/Officers Dispatched
D Area

Complainant stated he observed a male assaulting another male on the street. Officer responded to the area but could not locate. A short time later in a different area multiple 911 calls came in about a naked male running around throwing people to the ground. The first officer on scene and observed the arrestee actively assaulting a subject. The arrestee turned walked up to the officer and punched the officer in the face with the heels of both his hands. The officer was able to bring the arrestee to the ground in a controlled manner. The arrestee continued to actively resist the officer fighting and struggling. The officer was able to place the arrestee in handcuffs. The second officer on scene had to physically pick up the male with BFD personnel to place him on a stretcher for transport to the hospital for altered mental status.

White Male Age 43, 5'11", 1190 lbs.

2 Officers
Officer 1 – Body fold/Empty hand controls/handcuffing
Officer 2 – Empty hand controls

Officers – pain in facial area
Arrestee – no injury – transported to UVMHC ER for altered mental status

#3 22BU000 Protective Custody

Complainant/Officers Dispatched
D Area

Caller stated his girlfriend was intoxicated and stated she was going to jump off a parking garage. Officers located her in the stairwell of a parking garage. While speaking with her they could smell the odor of intoxicants. The boyfriend arrived on scene with a second female. This enraged the girlfriend. An officer spoke with her trying to calm her down but she attempted to rush the two. The officer had to physically restrain her from doing so. Due to her suicidal ideations and her intoxication officers took her into protective custody. She was placed into handcuffs. She then laid on the ground and refused to move. Officer had to physically pick her up and place her into the backseat of a cruiser for transport to UVMHC ER.

White Female Age 20, 5'07", 125 lbs.



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1 Officers

Officer 1 –Verbal commands/empty hand controls/handcuffing

Officers – uninjured

Subject – uninjured

#4 22BU000218 Domestic Assault Investigation

Complainant/Officers Dispatched

B Area

Mother called stating she was being assaulted by her juvenile son. Mother stated that her son was also not allowing her to leave the apartment. Upon arrival officers separated the Mother, son and juvenile daughter and attempted to interview them. The juvenile son would not speak with officers. The son attempted to intercede in the interview with his sister and had to be stopped by the officer. The son then approached the officer with a clenched fist. The officer told the son multiple times to step back but he continued to approach. The officer told the son to step back or he would be placed in handcuffs. The officer interviewing the sister heard the officer telling the son to step back exited the room he was in to assist the first officer with the son. Due to the nature of the alleged assault, his aggressive behavior towards the officer, His size (6'2 180lbs), and his complete refusal to obey all commands while they conducted our criminal investigation he was placed into handcuffs. It was explained to him that the handcuffs would be removed once the officers finished their investigation. The son continued to verbally berate officers and family. The investigation was concluded and the son was immediately taken out of handcuffs.

White Male Age 16, 6'02", 180 lbs.

2 Officers

Officer 1 –Verbal commands/firearm displayed

Officer 2 – Firearm displayed

Officers – uninjured

Subjects – uninjured

#5 22BU000419 Arrest 1st Degree Aggravated Domestic Assault with a firearm

Complainant/Officers Dispatched

B Area

Victim called stating her boyfriend had threatened her with a firearm and she was hiding in a bedroom. At this point the line went dead. Dispatch believed they heard the male enter the



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room just before this happened. Officers arriving on scene concerned for the victims safety quickly set up an entry team. Due to a firearm being present officer drew their firearms and approached the apartment door, knocking and announcing their presence as Police. The officer had his firearm pointed at the door from a position of cover in the event the male opened the door with the firearm. The victim opened the door and the officer immediately pointed the firearm away from her. The officers then entered the apartment and made contact with the arrestee. The officer had his firearm pointed at the arrestee but once the officer realized the arrestee's hands were empty he holstered his firearm.

Black Male Age 54, 5'02", 140 lbs.

Black Female Age 43, 5'06" 143 lbs.

1 Officers

Officer 1 –Verbal commands/Firearm pointed

Officers – no injury

Arrestee – not injured/BFD called for ongoing medical issue

Victim – not injured

#6 22BU000692 Attempted Suicide

Complainant/Officers Dispatched

C Area

Caller from out of state called stating he was on a video chat with subject, He observed she had cut her wrists and arms and bleeding heavily. Officer arrived on scene and located the female and rendered First Aid – bandaging her arms/applying pressure to stop the bleeding. Burlington Fire Department personnel arrived on scene and the female became combative kicking and trying to rip off her bandages and officers had to place her in handcuffs. BFD personnel decide to administer medication to calm her. She was then transported by BFD personnel to UVMCC ER.

White Female Age 22, 5'05" 129 lbs.

2 Officers

Officer 1 –empty hand controls/handcuffing

Officer 2 – empty hand controls

Officers – no injury

Subject – not injured by UOF, transported for self-inflicted injuries to UVMCC ER



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#7 22BU000755 Arrest Felony Aggravated Assault/Assault on a Law Enforcement Officer and Protective Professional.

Complainant/Officers Dispatched
C Area

UVM Medical Center ER staff called 911 stating the arrestee was attempting to stab staff with a knife. While in route officers learned the arrestee had barricaded himself in a ER room. Upon arrival the arrestee tossed the knife towards the door and officer approached the arrestee to secure him in handcuffs for safety. As the first officer entered the room the arrestee charged at the officer with his right fist raised. The officer grappled onto the arrestee's arms while the second officer was able to grab the arrestee around the waist and push him up against the bed. Hospital security and a third officer attempted to assist the officers and the arrestee was brought to the floor. While on the floor the arrestee was able to get one officer in headlock. An officer was able to help gain control of the arrestee's arms and free the officer head from the headlock. The officers were then able to place the arrestee into handcuffs. Officer searched the arrestee on the ground for weapons. The arrestee was then picked up and placed on the ER bed and security was able to place his legs in restraints. Officers then removed the handcuffs so that his arms could be placed in restraints.

White Male Age 59, 5'09" 185 lbs.

3 Officers
Officer 1 –empty hand controls/handcuffing
Officer 2 – empty hand controls
Officer 3 – empty hand controls/body fold

Officers – no injury
Arrestee – not injured by UOF

#8 22BU000995 Arrest Aggravated Disorderly Conduct

Complainant/Officers Dispatched
D Area

Caller stated 3 subjects were fighting inside the bar she works at. Upon arrivals officers spoke with a manager who was assaulted by the arrestee. The arrestee attempted to rush past officers to assault the manager but was stopped by officers placing a hand on him and pushing



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him back to a seated position on a pool table. When an officer touched his arm to move him off the pool table the arrestee moved on his own volition to a wall where he turned around putting his hands behind his back in a handcuffing position. One officer turned back to the manager as the second went handcuff. The arrestee then resisted being placed in handcuffs and attempted to run towards the manager again. The officer was able to grab the arrestee around the waist and bring him to the ground. The second officer was able to control the arrestee's legs while the first officer was able to place the arrestee in handcuffs. While escorting the arrestee out of the bar the arrestee was able to kick the manager in the groin as he passed him. Arrestees BAC was .184 % (.08% is considered legally intoxicated).

White Male Age 58, 5'10" 180 lbs.

2 Officers

Officer 1 –empty hand controls/rear take down/handcuffing

Officer 2 – empty hand controls/leg control

Officers – no injury

Arrestee – no injury

#9 22BU001134 Arrest Aggravated Assault with a firearm/Unlawful Mischief/Reckless

Endangerment

Complainant/Officers Dispatched

A Area

911 caller stated they observed a male smash out the window of a vehicle with the butt of a firearm. The arrestee fled the immediate area. Officers arrived on scene and were meeting with the victim and witnesses. A vehicle drove by the officers on scene and the victim and witnesses yelled that the operator was the one who had the firearm and smashed the window out. Officer ran after the vehicle and were able to stop it. Due to a firearm being involved officers drew their firearms, stood behind cover, pointed their firearms at the vehicle and gave orders to the arrestee. There was also a female in the vehicle located in the passenger seat. Officers were able to take the arrestee into custody without incident and the female passenger was also removed without incident.

White Female Age 21, 5'03" 100lbs.

White Male Age 21, 5'03", 113 lbs.

6 Officers

Officer 1 –firearm pointed/verbal commands/handcuffing



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Officer 2 – Firearm pointed/verbal commands
Officer 3 – Firearm pointed
Officer 4 – Firearm pointed
Officer 5 – Firearm pointed
Officer 6 – Firearm pointed

Officers – no injury
Subject – no injury
Arrestee – no injury

#10 22BU001211 Mental Health

Complainant/Officers Dispatched

A Area

Nurse at nursing home called stating an elderly male was threatening nurses with a pair of scissors. Upon arrival the officer meet with staff and then the elderly male. The officer was able to observe the scissors were EMT shears with no pointed or sharp edge. The officer engaged in conversation attempting to have the male turn over the scissors. The male slapped the officer's outstretched open hand and yelled at him. The male walked out into the lobby area of the facility and sat in a chair. Two nurses began to speak with him asking for the scissors. While he was distracted one of the nurses was able to reach into his pocket and take the scissors away from him. The male reacted angrily and sat on the other nurse and pinned her arms to her legs. The male got up and grabbed the arms of the second nurse pinning them to her side and yelling in her face. The officer interceded and with the assistance of a BFD firefighter was able to place d the male in handcuffs and escorted him to a waiting ambulance for transport to UVMCC ER.

White Male Age 75, 5'05" 141 lbs.

2 Officers

Officer 1 –empty hand controls/handcuffing

Officer 2 – empty hand controls

Officers – no injury

Subject – not injured by UOF, transported for self-inflicted injuries to UVMCC ER



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#11 22BU001230 Arrest Disorderly Conduct

Complainant/Officers Dispatched

E Area

Caller stated arrestee (same subject from UOF #8/22BU000995 on 2/22/22) struck his motor vehicle with an object while he was driving home. Arrestee was in the travel lane of the roadway on foot. An officer located the arrestee nearby coming out of a store and went out with him. Officer observed the arrestee to be intoxicated. Officers learned that the arrestee had just stolen several items from the store he was exiting. The arrestee was taken into protective custody, handcuffed and placed into a police SUV. During handcuffing the arrestee verbally stated he was not going with officers and attempted to pull away. While in the cruiser the arrestee began to kick the door of the cruiser with enough force to create space between the door and frame. The arrestee was verbally told to stop or OC would be deployed. The arrestee did not stop his actions and OC was deployed. The arrestee stopped their actions. The arrestee was taken to BPD for decontamination and lodged on Rule 3 Violation – continuation.

White Male Age 58 5'10" 180 lbs.

1 Officers

Officer 1 – Verbal commands/empty hand controls/handcuffing/OC deployed

Officers – no injury

Arrestee – not injured

#12 22BU001318 Agency Assist to Colchester PD in Colchester

Complainant/Officers Dispatched

C Area

Colchester Police Department called BPD request we assist one of their officers who was at a call in their town and in a physical altercation with a subject. Upon arrival the Colchester officer had managed to gain control of the subject, handcuff her and place them in his cruiser. The CPD officer transported the subject to UVMHC ER and asked for our assistance there. Upon arrival at UVMHC ER a BPD officer had to assist the CPD officer in extricating the female from the rear of the CPD cruiser. While assisting the subject kicked the CPD officer in the face. They were able to place the subject in a wheelchair and shackle her legs to prevent her from kicking. Two other BPD officer pushed the wheelchair into the ER department with the female trying to stand up in the chair and swing her head back in an attempt to head-butt the two officers. The two BPD



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officer assisted hospital staff in placing the female onto a bed. Once there hospital staff placed her in restraints.

White Female Age 22, 5'05" 129 lbs.

3 Officers

Officer 1 –empty hand controls/leg shackles

Officer 2 – empty hand controls

Officer 3 – empty hand controls

BPD Officers – no injury

Arrestee – not injured by UOF, transported for to UVMHC ER for intoxication