



POLICE DEPARTMENT  
CITY OF BURLINGTON

**USE of Force Report**  
**March 01, 2022 – March 31, 2022**

Total Number of Incidents for 3/1/22 – 3/31/22 –Incidents 1556

Total Number of UOF Incidents -7

Total Uses of Force – 18

Percent of UOF Incidents vs. Total Incidents - . 44%

Race/Gender of Arrestee/Subject in UOF Incidents

White Male – 6

White Female – 1

Black Male – 3

**Incidents**

**1. 22BU002882 – Arrest Burglary**

Complainant/ Officers Dispatched

Owner of business was alerted by his security system that arrestee was in his closed business. A security camera showed the arrestee in the building. A perimeter was set up on the building and officers continued to announced their presence as they searched through the building. Officer had their firearms out per training as they cleared the building. One officer was armed with a less than lethal munitions launcher. Officers located the arrestee hiding under a blanket in a large storage room. One officer pointed the less than lethal munitions launcher at the arrestee and one officer pointed their firearms at the arrestee. The arrestee was placed into handcuffs without incident. Both the firearm and less than lethal launcher were made safe.

White Male Age 51, 5'10" 165 lbs.

2 Officers

Officer 1 – Firearm active pointing

Officer 2 – Less than Lethal Launcher pointed

Arrestee – no injury

Officer – no injury



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**2. 22BU003051 – Burglary**

Complainant/ Officers Dispatched

Alarm Company called with an alarm activation at local restaurant. The first officer arriving on scene observed an open door to the front of the restaurant and the arrestee standing in the parking lot. The arrestee ran when he observed the officer. A second officer arriving observed the male trip and fall over a curb in the parking lot. The officer not knowing if the arrestee was armed drew his firearm and pointed it at the arrestee who was prone on the ground. The officer covered the male until other arriving officers arrived and placed them in handcuffs. Items stolen from the restaurant were located near the area the arrestee had been standing.

White Male Age 54, 5’09”, 185 lbs.

1 Officers

Officer 1 – Firearm pointed

Arrestee – no injury

Officer – no injury

**3. 22BU003532 – Arrest Domestic Assault, Simple Assault on a Police Officer, Interference with Access to Emergency Services**

Complainant/Officer Dispatched

Complainant called stating he spoke with victim who had been assaulted by the arrestee but was afraid to call police herself. The caller called a second time stating that the victim was being assaulted at this time. The victim called 911 and stated she had been assaulted, requested an ambulance and then dispatch could hear her and the arrestee in what sound like a physical disturbance. Arriving officers observed the arrestee with the victim and her wheelchair. A officer attempted to speak with the arrestee. The arrestee turned, with a raised fist and attempted to punch the officer. The officer evaded the punch. The arrestee then continued to swing at the officer’s head. The officer was able to close the distance and bring the arrestee to the ground in a controlled manner. Once on the ground the officer was able to control the arrestee’s arms and other officer assisted controlling the arrestee’s legs and another on his arm. They were able to coordinate rolling the arrestee onto his stomach and place him in handcuffs. The first officer had a cut on his forehead from the arrestee. Throughout the incident the arrestee continued to make suicidal statements.

White Male Age 20, 5’06”, 160 lbs.

4 Officers



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Officer 1 – Verbal directions/Empty hand controls  
Officer 2 – Empty hand controls - legs  
Officer 3 – Handcuff control techniques  
Officer 4 – Handcuffed

Officer 1 –cut to forehead  
Arrestee – scrapes on arms and right elbow transported to UVMMC ER for Crisis evaluation

**4. 22BU003715 – Disturbance**

Complainant/ Officers Dispatched

Caller stated the arrestee assaulted staff at bar and currently had them pinned down. Upon arrival officers observed the subject prone on the ground with 3 bar staff holding him there. An officer asked the staff to release the subject and asked the subject to remain on the ground. The subject attempted to get up. Officers were uncertain on what had occurred and felt the subject was intoxicated and could be unpredictable if he got up. One officer grasped the subjects left arm another officer grasped his right arm and placed them behind his back and applied handcuffs. Officers then assisted him off the ground and away from staff while they investigated the incident. Officer were able to learn through video footage that the subject did not commit a crime and he was released from handcuffs.

White Male Age 63, 5'07" 165 lbs.

2Officers

Officer 1 – Verbal direction ordered/Empty hand controls/handcuffing  
Officer 2 – Empty hand controls

Subject – no injury  
Officer – no injury

**5. 22BU003976 –Arrest on Warrant**

Complainant/ Officers Dispatched

Caller stated she was on the phone with her sister and believed that her boyfriend, the arrestee, had assaulted her. The caller stated they heard her mention a lot of blood. Upon arrival officer met with the sister. Officer learned through their investigation that her boyfriend had an active arrest warrant. Officer entered the apartment with the firearms drawn. The officers called to the arrestee who complied and exited a bedroom but did not follow



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commands, walking instead to the kitchen. Officer pointed their firearms at the arrestee fearing he may have been going for a knife. The arrestee grabbed a beer and drank some of it. Officer holstered their firearms and approached the arrestee placed his hands behind his back and placed him in handcuffs without further incident.

White Male Age 53, 5'09" 145 lbs.

1 Officers

Officer 1 – Verbal direction ordered X2/Firearm active pointing/empty hand controls

Arrestee – no injury

Officer – no injury

**6. 22BU004136- DUI/Disorderly Conduct**

Complainant/ Officers Dispatched

Caller stated a possibly intoxicated male had just struck her vehicle with his and both were on scene. The caller then advised a second vehicle had struck her vehicle. Officers arrived on scene and began investigating the crash and driving while intoxicated charges for operators. The arrestee was immediately confrontational with the officer. The officer attempted to defuse the situation by speaking in a calm and direct tone. The arrestee appeared intoxicated to the officer. The arrestee asked if he was being detained and was advised he was not free to leave. The arrestee started to walk away with a female subject trying to calm him down. Officers observed the arrestee and female arguing and then the arrestee throw the female to the ground. Officer intervened concerned the arrestee could continue to assault the female. The two officers each grasped an arm of the arrestee. The arrestee began to actively resist their attempts to place his arms behind his back, tensing up and pulling away. An officer brought the male to the ground in a controlled manner. On the ground the arrestee tucked his arms under his body and the officers had to physically pull out his arms and place them behind his back. Once there the officer was able to place them in handcuffs.

Black Male Age 36, 5'07" 150 lbs.

2 Officers

Officer 1 – Empty hand controls X2

Officer 2 – Empty hand controls X2

Arrestee – no injury

Officers – no injury



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**7. 22BU004215 – Arrest (2) Simple Assaults**

Complainant/ Officers Dispatched

Multiple calls for a stabbing at a residence with several victims. Dispatch could hear screaming in the background and caller yelling to “get away from him”. Arriving officer drew their firearms due to the possibility of knife. Officer entered a stairway leading up to the apartment door. They could hear yelling coming from the apartment above them. They approached the door to the residence as it opened and a female subject stood there. Officer pointed their firearms at her and gave orders verbal orders to which she complied. Officer learned she was the caller and had her exit the residence. Arrestee #1 exited the apartment and firearms were pointed at him until officers observed that his hands were empty. Arrestee was placed in handcuffs without incident. Officers entered the apartment and located Arrestee #2 in the bathroom and they had him exit the bathroom with their firearms pointed at him until he was placed in handcuffs. Officers located a male subject in the bathroom with a knife handle sticking out of the pouch of his sweatshirt. Officer pointed their firearms at him until he was placed in handcuffs without incident.

Black Male Age 18, 5’04”, 155 lbs.

White Female Age 24, 5’07”, 150 lbs.

Black Male Age 28, 6’03” 175 lbs.

White Male Age 26, 5’09”, 175 lbs.

2 Officers

Officer 1 – Verbal direction ordered X4/Firearm active pointing

Officer 2 – Firearm pointed

Arrestee s– no injury

Officers – no injury

Subject – no injury