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PRESS RELEASE

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On July 8, 2022, at 6:51 pm the Essex Police responded to the area of Old Colchester Road near the Tree Farm along the bicycle path for a report from a male Essex resident (51) who advised he had been approached by a juvenile male holding a baseball bat. The juvenile threatened the male with the baseball bat and demanded he give him his cell phone and to provide him with the passcode.

The juvenile fled on foot without the male's cell phone and police were unable to locate him at this time after conducting a search of the area.

Essex Police then received a separate call at 8:32 pm from a female Essex resident (25) who reported she had been assaulted by a juvenile male in the area of the Tree Farm on Old Colchester Road. The female reported she had been approached by the juvenile with a baseball bat. The juvenile demanded for her to give him her cell phone and provide the passcode. When she did not immediately hand over the phone, the juvenile struck her with the baseball bat. The juvenile stole her phone and fled the area on foot. The female was able to seek assistance at a nearby residence where a call was made to police. The female later went to the UVM Medical Center Emergency Department for treatment of injuries sustained during the attack.

Both parties provided very similar descriptions of the juvenile male. From the descriptions provided, Essex Police narrowed the search and located a subject at a nearby residence who was responsible for the assault and robbery. Police recovered the stolen property and returned it to the owner.

At 9:26 pm Essex resident, male juvenile (14) was taken into custody and transported to the Essex Police Department for processing. The juvenile was released to his guardian with court ordered conditions of release.

The juvenile was issued a flash citation to appear at Vermont Superior Court- Chittenden County Criminal Division to answer the charge of Assault and Robbery on Monday, July 11, 2022.

Essex Police will be increasing patrols in the area.

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