



# BLOOMINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT



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## ***Bank Robbery Arrest***

**Bloomington, IL** - On Monday, 7/25/22, Bloomington Police officers were dispatched to a business in the 1800 block of Eastland Drive, for a robbery that had just occurred. Shortly after the dispatch, Bloomington Police officers and members of BPD's Street Crimes unit arrived in the area. Officers obtained a description of the suspect and began checking the area. Officers reviewed surveillance videos and were able to narrow down a location for the suspect. The suspect was located at a nearby hotel. April S. Mench was taken into custody without incident. A search warrant was obtained for April's hotel room. During the execution of the search warrant, a large amount of currency was recovered.

Arrested was April S. Mench (35), F, Bloomington

Mench was arrested for:

-AGGRAVATED ROBBERY

At the time of the release, Mench's bond has yet to be set.

Chief Jamal Simington stated, "I want to thank to the BPD dispatchers, officers, and detectives who worked expeditiously on this case. Their efforts are crucial in keeping our community safe and solving cases quickly. We will continue to work with high motivation in our partnership with our community to enhance the quality of life in Bloomington. The BPD will continue to focus our resources effectively and will be persistent in our investigations to address violent crimes, which are harmful and unacceptable."

All suspect(s) are presumed innocent unless proven guilty in the court of law.

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This incident remains under investigation. Anyone with information should contact BPD Detective Lanphear at 309-434-2369 / [jlantphear@cityblm.org](mailto:jlantphear@cityblm.org)

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