



# BLOOMINGTON POLICE DEPARTMENT



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## *Arrest Made in Shooting Investigation*

Bloomington, IL - On 09/25/24, after an investigation by the Bloomington Police Department Criminal Investigations Division, Eric Derring was indicted on five counts related to a June shooting, which left one injured in the 300 block of Erickson Avenue.

Members of the BPD Street Crimes Unit and patrol officers located Derring in the 1800 block of West Olive Street. Derring was arrested without incident. Derring was transported to the McLean County Detention Facility, where he remains in custody.

Arrested: Eric L. Derring, 31, of Bloomington, IL

- Aggravated battery with a firearm
- Armed habitual criminal
- Aggravated unlawful use of a weapon/ previous conviction
- Unlawful possession of firearm ammunition by a felon
- Unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon



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Chief Jamal Simington stated, "Investigating shooting incidents are the BPD's highest priority as it harms the entire community, causing life safety concerns. We give full effort and diligence to fact finding, while leveraging technology to hold perpetrators accountable. I'm very proud of the bravery of our staff, they are fully committed to justice being served in this city."

All suspects are presumed innocent unless proven guilty in the court of law.

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*Previous Release*

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*Person Shot*

Bloomington, IL - On Sunday, 6/09/24, at approximately 5:20 p.m., Bloomington police officers were dispatched to the 300 block of Erickson Avenue, for a report of shots fired. Officers arrived a short time later and began their investigation.

The victim, a 26-year-old male, was located with an apparent gunshot wound. Officers provided medical intervention. Paramedics with the Bloomington Fire Department assumed patient care and transported the victim to an area hospital.

The injuries are not believed to be life threatening.

The Bloomington Police Department Crime Scene Unit responded to process the scene.

The circumstances behind this incident are still pending investigation by the Bloomington Police Department. Anyone with information should contact Detective Jordan Tieman at 309-434-2587 or [JTiemman@cityblm.org](mailto:JTiemman@cityblm.org).

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The tip line is not monitored 24/7. The CIAU office is staffed from 8am-4:30pm, weekdays. If no one is available to answer your call, please leave the information on the voicemail or send it by e-mail.

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