

DEKALB POLICE DEPARTMENT

David Byrd, Chief of Police



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Armed Robbery

On July 31, 2024, at approximately 8:21 a.m. the DeKalb Police Department was dispatched to Illinois Community Credit Union (ICCU) located at 1500 Barber Greene Rd. DeKalb, Illinois for the report of an armed robbery. DeKalb Police Department officers arrived on scene and made contact with several victims, all who were employees of the bank. Officers learned from video footage and eyewitness accounts, that a male subject armed with a firearm, wearing camouflage clothing and a mask forced his way into the credit union and ordered the bank employees to open the safe and place money into a duffle bag. The male fled the bank with over \$50,000 United States Currency. DeKalb Police Department officers conducted a video canvas of the surrounding area and developed several leads regarding the armed robbery.

The DeKalb Police Department Investigation Division conducted a meticulous and exhaustive investigation, utilizing advanced investigative techniques which led to the identity and location of the armed robbery suspect. On September 27, 2024, at approximately 6:00 a.m., the DeKalb Police Department, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Special Weapons and Tactics Team (SWAT), and the Chicago Police Department served an arrest warrant on the suspect's residence in the 11200 Block of South King Drive Chicago, IL.

After a brief standoff, the armed robbery suspect; identified as **Matthew L. Martin**, was taken into custody and transported to the DeKalb Police Department for processing.

Martin was charged with Armed Robbery, Armed Habitual Criminal, and Unlawful Possession of Weapon by Felon. He is being held at the DeKalb County Sheriff's Office awaiting criminal court proceedings. Thank you to the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Chicago Police Department for their assistance.

Defendant: Matthew L. Martin M/B/43 YOA, Chicago, Illinois

Charges:

- Armed Robbery-Class X Felony
- Armed Habitual Criminal-Class X Felony
- Unlawful Possession of Weapon by Felon-Class 2 Felony

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****All persons are presumed innocent in a court of law until proven guilty****

If you witnessed this incident or have any information that can help with this investigation, please contact the DeKalb Police Department.