



## City of Bloomington Police Department

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#### **Bloomington Police Investigate Assault and Structure Fire**

On April 21, 2026, at approximately 11:50 p.m., officers with the Bloomington Police Department responded to a report of a structure fire at a residence in the 2000 block of S Rogers Street. Officers arrived within three minutes of the initial 911 call reporting the structure fire being received by the Dispatch Center. Upon arrival, the north and south sides of the home as well as the entire roof were fully involved in fire. Officers ran to the home and could hear someone inside yelling for help, so they immediately kicked in the front door of the residence and made entry. A woman was located on the floor of the residence with flames around her and was carried outside by officers. The woman was severely injured and was unable to walk or move on her own. An officer then re-entered the home and checked as much as they could to ensure that no other occupants were inside.

Officers began providing medical care to the 54-year-old woman until the arrival of the Bloomington Fire Department and the Monroe Fire Protection District. The woman was transported by ambulance to IU Health Bloomington Hospital, and later transferred to an Indianapolis hospital for treatment of her injuries. As of the time of this release, the woman is in critical condition with life-threatening injuries.

Neighbors advised officers that the woman lived at the home with her 37-year-old son, Shandor Jackson. They further advised officers that the woman drove a tan Hyundai passenger car. Both the vehicle and the son were gone from the residence. Investigators then utilized Flock license plate readers (LPRs) in an effort to locate the woman's vehicle, which was successful. The woman's vehicle was captured by Flock LPRs traveling in Greene County, Orange County, and Lawrence County. Investigators were able to use the Flock data to narrow their search for the vehicle and located it soon thereafter parked at a motel in Mitchell, Indiana at approximately 10:30 a.m. Of note, a Flock LPR located in close proximity to the scene of the crime was unable to be used to assist in the investigation due to an act of criminal mischief that resulted in cables being sliced and the camera being spray-painted.

It was determined that Shandor Jackson had rented a room at the motel, so search warrants for the motel room and the vehicle he had arrived in were requested and granted. At approximately 12:30 p.m., officers entered the motel room and took Jackson into custody. He was then transported to the Bloomington Police Department for an interview.

At the conclusion of the interview, Shandor Jackson (DOB 03/09/1989) was transported to the Monroe County Jail and remanded for the following charges:

- Attempted Murder, level 1 felony
- Aggravated Battery, level 3 felony
- Arson, level 4 felony
- Vehicle Theft, level 6 felony

The investigation remains ongoing and no further information is available for release at this time.

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