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MEDIA RELEASE

Waukegan Man Wanted for Robbery, Theft Apprehended After Brief Stand-Off

Members of the Lake County Sheriff's Office Warrants Team apprehended Cory R. Cooper, 22, wanted for robbery, stemming from an investigation conducted by the Mundelein Police Department. He was also wanted on felony theft from a Lake County Sheriff's Office investigation. The bond amounts on the warrants totaled \$110,000.00. Cooper was previously convicted of pointing a firearm at police officers in Kenosha, Wisconsin.

Members of the Sheriff's Warrants Team developed information Cooper was living at a family member's home in the 500 block of Cummings Avenue, Waukegan. The residence is a single-family home, subdivided into two apartments.

On July 24, 2020, at approximately 9:00AM members of the Sheriff's Warrants Team conducted surveillance at the residence and observed Cooper come outside briefly, before going back inside. Warrants deputies approached the house and Cooper attempted to flee out a bathroom window but retreated back into the house when he saw deputies and Waukegan Police Officers in the back. Warrants deputies made entry into the home and Cooper left his apartment and used an access door to hide in a second-level foyer leading to the other apartment.

Cooper concealed himself under blankets in the foyer and initially refused to exit from his hiding spot. Sheriff's Canines Dax and Duke arrived and began aggressively barking at Cooper. Cooper then surrendered without incident and was taken into custody due to the collaborative efforts of Waukegan Police and the Lake County Sheriff's Office.

Cooper is currently being held at the Lake County Jail pending an initial court hearing.

All defendants are presumed innocent unless proven guilty in a court of law.

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