

Tupelo Police Department

Press Release

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ALL INDIVIDUALS ARRESTED ARE PRESUMED INNOCENT UNTIL PROVEN GUILTY

06-28-23

Burglary of a Commercial Building Arrest Made:

On 06-16-23 TPD Officers responded to a report of found property near West Main Street. Officers traced the property back to D'Casa on West Main where they discovered that a burglary had occurred.

On 06-26-23 TPD Officers responded to a business on Murphy's Oil on West Main Street. An employee of the business stated that as they were opening for the day they heard a loud noise from the back of the business and observed a black male wearing a red hoodie standing inside the store. The suspect then fled the scene.

On 06-27-2023 Devalon O. Ford (21 y/o male, Tupelo) was taken into custody by the Tupelo Police Department and charged with two counts of Burglary of a Commercial Building and Possession of Burglary Tools.

Tupelo Municipal Court Judge Allen set Ford's bond at \$150,000. These charges will be presented to the Lee County Grand Jury.

TPD is working with other law enforcement agencies and additional charges could be pending as the investigation continues. Anyone with information is asked to call Crime Stoppers of Northeast Mississippi at 1-800-773-TIPS.

