



Ukiah Police Department

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Press Release: UPD Looking for burglary / warrant suspect that fled UPD case # 18-0718

On March 19th at about 5:07 pm, an off duty officer observed a suspicious male subject, prowling around a residence in the 400 block of Luce Avenue. The off duty officer reported the prowler to UPD and relayed needed information to responding officers. While officers responded, the suspect got into a silver Toyota Camry that was parked in the parking lot of Mendocino County Behavioral Health, 1100 block of South Dora Street. As the suspect was driving the Camry out of the parking lot, a responding officer spotted him and attempted to perform an enforcement stop on the vehicle. The driver/suspect failed to stop and led officer on a short vehicle pursuit. The pursuit ended as the suspect exited the Camry and fled over a fence into the Mulberry Apartment Complex. The suspect had left the Camry running and in gear as he exited, causing the Camry to hit a parked car and fence. Officers searched the surrounding area for the suspect, but were unable to locate him. During the subsequent investigation, the suspect was identified as Chayton Paul West age 27. A records check revealed that West had a felony out of his county for reckless driving, leaving the scene of an accident and driving unlicensed, bail set at \$50,000.00. West also had felony warrant out of Davis for burglary, with a bail set at \$50,000, and is on PRCS (Post Release Community Supervision) out of Sacramento. Officers found that the residence that West had been prowling around, had in fact been burglarized.



In addition to the active warrant, the Ukiah Police Department will be submitting a case to the Mendocino County DA's office for burglary, evading an officer, and hit and run. Clayton Paul West age 27 shown in the photograph, is described as a black male, short black hair, brown eyes, 5'11", weighing around 170 pounds, with ties to Sacramento and the Laytonville area. If anyone has information as to the whereabouts of West, please contact the Ukiah Police Department at 463-6262.

As always, our mission at UPD is simple: to make Ukiah as safe as possible. If you would like to know more about crime in your neighborhood, you can sign up for telephone, cell phone and email notifications by clicking the Nixle button on our website: www.ukiahpolice.com.