

MEDIA RELEASE



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MACOMB, IL – After extensive negotiations with the suspect over the past 20 hours, at approximately 2:10 p.m. the suspect peacefully surrendered to officers. The suspect, Shaiking M. Mathis, a 38 year-old male of the 300 block of North Normal Street, Macomb, was taken into custody without further incident and transported to the McDonough County Jail. Mathis has been charged with four counts of aggravated battery to a police officer and one count of aggravated discharge of a firearm. Additional charges are pending.

At approximately 6:44PM on Wednesday, September 4, 2024, officers from the Macomb Police Department attempted to serve a search warrant in the 300 block of North Normal Street. Upon announcing their presence multiple times prior to entering the property, two Macomb police officers were shot by a suspect in the residence. Both officers were transported to area hospitals and then transferred to a trauma center in Peoria. Both officers are recovering at home, and are expected to make a full recovery.

The Macomb Police Department wants to express my relief that this incident came to a peaceful conclusion and there were no further injuries. We also would like to thank the community for their patience, understanding, support, and generosity as this incident impacted many aspects of our daily lives here in Macomb.

I'd like to thank our law enforcement partners for their assistance in this incident. The efforts of the Illinois State Police, the McDonough County Sherriff's Office, and the many other officers who assisted on scene and with our officers at the hospital are sincerely appreciated. I'd also like to express my extreme gratitude to the men and women of the Macomb Police Department. The professionalism and bravery they displayed during this entire incident and their dedication to the citizens of Macomb is to be commended.

The use of force investigation is being conducted by the Illinois State Police and all questions related to the investigation should be directed to them.



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