

## MOUNT PROSPECT POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

## **Mount Prospect Police Department Investigates Residential Burglary**

On Sunday, July 23, 2017 at 12:01 PM, the Mount Prospect Police Department responded to a residential burglary in the 300 block of North William Street. Upon arrival, officers spoke with a juvenile who was in the home when the offender entered the residence. The juvenile related she heard knocking at the front door just before noon. The juvenile was upstairs and didn't answer the door, but looked down the stairs and saw an unknown male subject looking into the window of the front door. After the subject knocked multiple times, the juvenile observed the subject force open the front door. The juvenile ran into a bedroom and locked the door. The offender went up the stairs and attempted to open the first door he came to, which happened to be the locked bedroom where the juvenile was hiding. The juvenile began screaming, causing the offender to run out of the house through the front door, fleeing northbound.

The offender is described as a white male, approximately 65 years old, white hair, wearing a black baseball style hat, sunglasses, black t-shirt, black shorts and black shoes.

The Mount Prospect Police Department continues to investigate this residential burglary and asks anyone who has information regarding this crime to call the Mount Prospect Police Department's Investigations Section at 847-870-5654. Anonymous tips can be made to Crime Stoppers of Mount Prospect by calling 847-590-7867 or texting MPPD and your tip to 274637. Tips made through Crime Stoppers of Mount Prospect that lead to the arrest and prosecution of the offender(s) could be eligible for a cash reward of up to \$1,000.

The Mount Prospect Police Department urges residents to use this incident as an opportunity to discuss with their children what to do if they are home alone and someone comes to the door. The recommendation is to have the person home alone make it known that someone is home, without opening or unlocking the door. Turning the volume up on a radio, turning on a TV, turning on lights or even speaking through the locked door are all examples of ways to acknowledge someone is home.