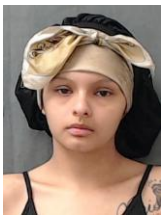
DARIEN POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESS RELEASE
RELEASE DATE: **August 6, 2026**

July 30

Retail Theft

At 5:18 p.m. an officer responded to Walmart, 2189 75th Street for a retail theft. Loss Prevention advised two subjects were concealing merchandise in a backpack and purse. Brianna Guevara, 19, of the 7500 block of Stewart Avenue, Chicago was transported to the Darien Police Department and charged with one count of Retail Theft and released on pre-trial. Guevara was given a court date of August 20, 2026 at the DuPage County Judicial Center. Kaliyah Harris, 19, of the 0 S 700 block of Lilac Lane, Willowbrook was issued a Notice to Appear for Retail Theft. Harris was given a court date of September 3, 2026 at the DuPage County Judicial Center.



July 31

Possession of Cannabis

At 9:23 p.m. an officer in the 7800 block of Cass Avenue conducted an inquiry on a vehicle license plate which showed the registration suspended. A traffic stop was initiated and the driver, Rachel Jarvela, 31, of the 2000 block of Finley Road, Lombard was issued a citation for possession of cannabis by driver and warnings for suspended registration and possession of drug paraphernalia. Jarvela was assigned a court date of September 3, 2026 at the DuPage County Judicial Center.

August 1

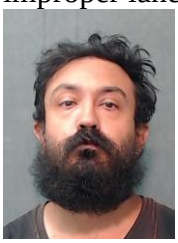
Criminal Damage to Property

At 11:14 p.m. officers were notified that a Fire Fighter heard a loud sound on the fire department bay doors and discovered a subject had damaged six plastic window panels at the Darien Woodridge Fire Department. Javier Calleja, 30, of the 5300 block of Fairfield Avenue, Chicago was charged with one count of criminal damage to property. Calleja was issued a court date of September 3, 2026 at the DuPage County Judicial Center and released on scene.

August 2

Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol

At 3:10 a.m. an officer observed a vehicle cross over the center lane multiple times on Cass Avenue. A traffic stop was initiated and the driver, Joshua Verdin-Martinez, 32, of the 2200 block of Saint Louis Avenue, Chicago was transported to the Darien Police Department and charged with driving under the influence of alcohol and improper lane usage. Verdin-Martinez issued a court date of September 8, 2026 and released.



August 3 & 4

No reports to release.

August 5

Criminal Trespass to Real Property

At 6:14 a.m. officers were dispatched to 7502 Cass Avenue, Speedway for a trespass report. An employee advised that a subject who had been previously banned from the store had returned. Benjamin Dunn, 47, no address, was issued a notice to appear citation for criminal trespass to land. Dunn was given a court date of September 24, 2026 at the DuPage County Judicial Center.