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KENT COUNTY SHERIFF DEPARTMENT



Date: July 24, 2015

Complaint Number: 15-136812

Type of Incident: Assault by Strangulation

Supervisor Approval: Lt Gates

Reporting Officer: Detective W Marks

Narrative:

On July 22nd, 2015 the Kent County Sheriff Department responded to the frantic 911 call of a female caller who reported being assaulted by her boyfriend in their home located at 348 S Sarah St in Cedar Springs Mobile Estates. The caller reported that she was choked by her boyfriend Adam Lee Dickinson, a 23 year old male, and that Dickinson was armed with a shotgun. Dickinson forced her out of the residence during the assault, keeping their one year old daughter inside and refusing to release her.

The Kent County Sheriff Department, assisted by the Michigan State Police, responded and secured a perimeter around the residence. Several hours were spent giving verbal commands through a loudspeaker however Dickinson refused to exit the residence. Kent County Sheriff Department Hostage Negotiators were called to the scene to assist however Dickinson refused to communicate with them.

The Kent County Sheriff Department Tactical Team also responded and utilized several methods, including the deployment of cameras, to monitor Dickinson and ensure the one year old child was not injured inside the home. After a several hour standoff, the Tactical Team entered the residence and took Dickinson into custody. The one year old child was rescued and in good spirits when she was turned over to her mother. Two members of the Tactical Team suffered minor injuries while taking Dickinson into custody.

The Kent County Prosecutor's Office reviewed the case and issued the following charges against Dickinson who was arraigned by video this afternoon from the Kent County Jail:

Unlawful Imprisonment

Two counts of Assault by Strangulation

Two counts of Resisting and Obstructing a Police Officer Causing Injury

Child Abuse 3rd

Bond was set at \$250,000.00.

Anyone with information is asked to call the Kent County Sheriff's Department at 616-632-6357 or Silent Observer at 616-774-2345.