



# PARSONS POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Vehicle Prowler Turns into a Pursuit**

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On February 14, 2019 Parsons Police responded to report of a man breaking into vehicles at Elm Haven East Nursing Home in the 1400 block of South 15th. The suspect was described to officers along with his clothing description.

Within minutes Officer Pam Burris located a subject with a matching clothing description walking south on 16<sup>th</sup> street. Officer Burris identified the subject as Bryant Vincent McQuarie, white male age 28, of Parsons. When ordered to stop Mr. McQuarie fled on foot towards the Flesh Company in Industrial Park 1. Mr. McQuarie broke into an unoccupied vehicle where he was caught by responding officers and arrested. Mr. McQuarie became fought being arrested and a Parsons Police officer was injured during the arrest.

Mr. McQuarie is being held on two counts of Criminal Trespass, one count of Interference with Law Enforcement and one count of Battery on a Law Enforcement Officer. The injured officer sustained an injury to the shoulder.

Parsons Police Chief Robert Spinks says, "this is an example of how 'See It, Hear It, Report It' works to nip crime in the bud. In this case a known criminal was identified, and officers gave chase running him to the ground until he was apprehended, unfortunately this is also an example of a case where officers have to put themselves at risk and get injured to keep the streets safe for our community." "These are crimes of opportunity and the first level of protection is to always ensure that your vehicles and buildings are always locked," Spinks continued.

This continues to be an on-going investigation and citizens are encouraged to "See It, Hear It, Report It." If anyone has any further information on this incident or any other criminal activity, please contact the Parsons Police Department at 421-7060 or call the Tip Line at 421-7057 or email at [tips@parsonspd.com](mailto:tips@parsonspd.com).

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