

Rehoboth Beach Woman Arrested for Burglary and Related Charges

Rehoboth Beach- The Delaware State Police have arrested 33-year-old **Kristin Shabazz** of Rehoboth Beach for burglary and additional charges.

The initial incident occurred on April 12, 2020 at approximately 11:26 a.m., when Troopers were dispatched to the 19000 block of Central Avenue, Rehoboth Beach, for a disorderly incident. Upon arrival, Troopers met with the 51-year-old female victim who advised she was allowing Shabazz to stay at her residence. The victim and Shabazz engaged in a verbal argument because Shabazz was refusing to leave the residence. As the victim was removing Shabazz's belongings from the residence, Shabazz picked up an unknown object and threw it at the victim, striking her. The victim sustained non-life threatening injuries and did not seek medical treatment. Prior to Troopers arriving on scene, Shabazz fled the scene.

At approximately 12:35 p.m., a Trooper on routine patrol traveling on Coastal Highway in the area of Rehoboth Avenue Extended observed Shabazz walking. When the Trooper attempted to make contact with Shabazz, she fled on foot causing the Trooper to lose sight of her. As the Trooper searched the surrounding area, a passerby contacted the Trooper and directed him to the 37000 block of Burton Village Avenue.

Further investigation revealed Shabazz entered an apartment through an open rear bedroom window in the Burton Village Apartments and was located by the residents inside. Shabazz was removed from the apartment by one of the residents and was taken into custody by the Trooper without further incident.

Found in the back bedroom where Shabazz was located was the dark colored backpack that belonged to her and she was wearing. A search incident to arrest was conducted and approximately .05 grams of Crack Cocaine and drug paraphernalia were located inside the bookbag. Also inside the residence during the incident were three children. No one was injured during this incident.

Shabazz was transported to Troop 7 where she was charged with the following crimes:

- Assault 3rd Degree
- Burglary 2nd Degree (felony)
- Endangering the Welfare of a child (3 counts)
- Resisting Arrest
- Possession of a Controlled Substance
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia
- Criminal Mischief Under \$1,000.00 Damage

She was arraigned by Justice of the Peace Court and committed to Delores J. Baylor Womens Correctional Institution on \$19,100 cash bail.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1800 842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at debra.reed@state.de.us.

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