

State Police Investigating Armed Home Invasion in Smyrna

The Delaware State Police is investigating an armed home invasion that occurred Sunday afternoon in Smyrna.

On October 11, 2026, at approximately 2:20 p.m., troopers responded to a residence in the 800 block of Culbreath Street in Smyrna for a reported armed robbery. The preliminary investigation revealed that two masked suspects entered the residence while two victims were inside. One of the suspects pointed a handgun at one of the victims and demanded money. The suspects then searched the residence before fleeing with cash and the victims' personal property.

No one was injured during the incident.

The Delaware State Police Criminal Investigations Unit took over the case. Detectives ask anyone who witnessed the event or has information relevant to the case to contact Detective E. Paneda at (302) 698-8444. Information may also be provided by sending a private Facebook message to the [Delaware State Police](#) or contacting [Delaware Crime Stoppers](#) at 1-800-847-3333.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of a crime or has lost a loved one to a sudden death and needs 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 at 1-800-VICTIM-1 (1-800-842-8461). You may also email the Victim Services Unit at DSP_VictimServicesMail@delaware.gov.