

CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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STORE CLERKS TO HEROES

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department received a call of a disturbance at the Food Plus Store at approximately 10:30 P.M. on Tuesday, November 27, 2012. The Food Plus Store is located at 3031 Davie Boulevard in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Upon arriving to the business, a Fort Lauderdale Police Officer was made aware of a B/M suspect causing a disturbance and refusing to leave.

The store clerks have been identified as Ahassan Shamim and Pappu Ahmad.

The suspect has been identified as Jermetrius Deveaux, B/M, 7/21/89, a resident of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

When the officer made contact with Deveaux he was extremely uncooperative. Deveaux was advised that if he continued to refuse to leave he would be subject to an arrest. Deveaux refused to heed the officers warning and when the officer attempted to take Deveaux into custody a physical altercation ensued. As a result, the officer was knocked down to the ground and broke his ankle.

Both Shamim and Ahmad witnessed the altercation and immediately ran to render aid to the injured officer. Shamim and Ahmad assisted the officer in holding Deveaux down as he repeatedly attempted to flee the area.

Back-up officers arrived to the scene and safely took Deveaux into custody. The injured officer was transported to Broward General Hospital where he is recovering from surgery.

Detectives are urging anyone with information about this incident to contact Detective Dustin Miller at 954-828-6621.

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