

INCIDENT/INVESTIGATION REPORT

I N C I D E N T D A T A	Agency Name <i>University Of Florida Police Department</i>			[REDACTED]				
	ORI <i>FL0010600</i>							
	Location of Incident <i>680 BROWARD DR, Gainesville FL 32612</i>			Gang Relat NO	Premise Type	Beat/GeoProx E, GPEA	Date / Time Reported <i>09/12/2024 13:22 Thu</i>	
							Last Known Secure <i>09/11/2024 23:00 Wed</i>	
						At Found <i>09/11/2024 23:30 Wed</i>		
#1	Crime Incident(s) <i>Animal Incidents ANIM</i>			(Com)		Weapon / Tools	Activity	
						Entry	Exit	Security
#2	Crime Incident			()		Weapon / Tools	Activity	
						Entry	Exit	Security
#3	Crime Incident			()		Weapon / Tools	Activity	
						Entry	Exit	Security

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V I C T I M	# of Victims <i>1</i>	Type: INDIVIDUAL	Injury: None			Domestic: N	
	V1	Victim/Business Name Last First Middle [REDACTED]			Victim of Crime # <i>1</i>	Military Branch/Status [REDACTED]	
	Home Address [REDACTED]				Email [REDACTED]		Home Phone [REDACTED]
	Employer Name/Address [REDACTED]				Business Phone [REDACTED]		Mobile Phone [REDACTED]
	VYR	Make	Model	Style	Color	Lic/Lis	VIN

O T H E R I N V O L V E D	CODES: V- Victim (Denote V2, V3) WI = Witness IO = Involved Other RP = Reporting Person (if other than victim)										
	Type:			Injury:							
	Code	Name (Last, First, Middle)			Victim of Crime #	DOB	Race	Sex	Relationship To Offender	Resident Status	Military Branch/Status
	Home Address				Email			Home Phone			
	Employer Name/Address				Business Phone			Mobile Phone			
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	Home Address				Email			Home Phone			
	Employer Name/Address				Business Phone			Mobile Phone			

P R O P E R T Y	1 = None 2 = Burned 3 = Counterfeit / Forged 4 = Damaged / Vandalized 5 = Recovered 6 = Seized 7 = Stolen 8 = Unknown ("OJ" = Recovered for Other Jurisdiction)									
	VI #	Code	Status Frm/Tc	Value	OJ	QTY	Property Description	Make/Model	Serial Number	

Officer/ID#	<i>RIVERA, J. (144)</i>			Supervisor	<i>HOLWAY, C. S. (94)</i>			
Invest ID#	<i>RIVERA, J. (144)</i>							
Status	Complainant Signature			Case Status <i>Closed</i>	<i>09/13/2024</i>		Case Disposition:	Page 1

Incident Report Additional Name List

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Additional Name List

Name Code/#	Victim of Crime #
1) WI I	
	H: - -
	B: - -
	Mobile #: - -

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Status Codes L = Lost S = Stolen R = Recovered D = Damaged Z = Seized B = Burned C = Counterfeit / Forged F = Found

	UCR	Status	Quantity	Type Measure	Suspected Type	Up to 3 types of activity
D R U G S						

Assisting Officers

Suspect Hate / Bias Motivated:

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NARRATIVE

REPORTING OFFICER NARRATIVE

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Date / Time Reported Thu 09/12/2024 13:22

Victim [REDACTED]	Offense ANIMAL INCIDENTS
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On Thursday September 12, 2024, at approximately 1340 hours, I responded to Trader Joe`s located at 3724 South West Archer Road, Gainseville, Florida 32608, In reference to an animal incident that occurred at Broward Hall 680 Broward Drive.

Upon arrival, I contacted V1 who provided the following statement in substance:

V1 was in the common area of Broward West floor 4 hanging out with her acquaintances and observing her hamster rolling around in its ball at approximately 2300 the previous night. V1 stated she observed Benjamin Cohen (Suspect) walking towards her and wanted to introduce her hamster to him. Cohen began kicking the ball and was told to not kick it because there was a hamster inside of it. Cohen purposely stomped on the ball, crushing the hamster inside and subsequently killing it. V1 became emotional and did not know what to do or how to react to what just occurred in her presence and was only able to cry. Eventually V1 and [REDACTED] (Witness) contacted the on-call RA and notified her of this incident. V1 believes Cohen did this on purpose and was already notified of her hamster being present.

I spoke with [REDACTED] who corroborated V1`s statements and they both advised the reason law enforcement was not contacted was because they were in fear of Cohen retaliating.

V1 stated at this time she does not want to pursue criminal charges and would like to suspend the case. A case suspension form was filled out by V1 along with a UFPD Victim Notification form, a UFPD Exemption form, and a Notice of Confidential Crime Victim Information Within Court Filing Form. V1 was also given a Criminal victim protection request form .

I responded to 680 Broward Drive, in attempts to speak with an RA regarding the events that took place, I was unable to speak with all parties involved on today`s date; however, I will make contact with them on my next tour of duty.

It should be noted, while attempting to gather more information Cohen came to the front desk and requested to speak with me. I informed Cohen he was free to leave at any time and read him my agency issued Miranda warning card. Cohen agreed to speak with me after he advised he understood his constitutional rights. Cohen stated he walked into the common area and noticed the ball on the floor. He began to kick it lightly and was told to stop, He then thought it would be funny to stomp on the ball and break it. During this time, he advised he did not know there was a hamster inside of the ball. The reaction from everyone else in the common area is what made him realize what he had done.

This investigation is pending further investigative leads.

All persons involved affiliate with The University of Florida and my BWC was on while speaking to everyone.

Cohen will be referred to SCCR regarding this incident.

I offered V1 the Office of Victim services and she advised that she was already in contact with them.

Incident Report Suspect List

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1	Name (Last, First, Middle) <i>COHEN, BENJAMIN CHASE</i>					Also Known As					Home Address <i>680 BROWARD DR - 481 GAINESVILLE, FL 32612</i>				
	Business Address														
	DOB <i>01/11/2006</i>	Age <i>18</i>	Race <i>W</i>	Sex <i>M</i>	Eth	Hgt <i>600</i>	Wgt	Hair	Eye	Skin	Driver's License / State <i>C500063060110 FL</i>				
	Scars, Marks, Tattoos, or other distinguishing features														
Reported Suspect Detail															
Suspect Age		Race	Sex	Eth	Height		Weight		SSN						
Weapon, Type	Feature	Make	Model				Color	Caliber	Dir of Travel Mode of Travel						
Veh Yr / Make / Model		Drs	Style		Color		Lic Plate / State			VIN					
Notes							Physical Char								