



# Winnebago County Sheriff's Department



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## News Release

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### **Rockford Man Arrested After Narcotics Investigation**

The Winnebago County Sheriff's Department received complaints regarding the possible sale of fentanyl at various locations throughout Winnebago County. Sheriff's Narcotics Unit Detectives conducted an investigation and identified an individual as the source of the complaints. On Wednesday, July 15, 2020, at approximately 1:15pm, the suspect, Von E. Johnson, Jr. was located in the 900 block of School Street in Rockford. Johnson was found to have an amount of fentanyl and crack cocaine on him and was subsequently arrested. Detectives also determined that Johnson is currently on parole from the Illinois Department of Corrections. The Winnebago County State's Attorney's Office reviewed the facts of the case and authorized the following charges:

#### **Von E. Johnson, Jr. (DOB: 8/23/1995) of Rockford, Illinois**

- Possession with Intent to Deliver Cocaine (1-15 Grams)
- Possession with Intent to Deliver Fentanyl (1-15 Grams)
- Delivery of Less than One Gram of Fentanyl (2 Counts)

The charges against Von E. Johnson, Jr. are merely allegations and he is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

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