



# COLLINSVILLE POLICE DEPARTMENT

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## *PRESS RELEASE*

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### **Aggravated Kidnapping and Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm**

**3/01/2019**

On Monday 02/25/2019 at about 6:30pm, Officers from the Collinsville Police Department responded to the 200 block of W. Woodcrest in response to a report of the sound of gunshots being heard. Upon arriving, the officers learned a female had been visiting her boyfriend when her ex-boyfriend arrived and challenged the new boyfriend to come outside to confront him. When both parties stepped outside, the suspect forced the female into his vehicle. Prior to driving away, the suspect fired several shots from a handgun in the direction of the victim's boyfriend who was fleeing on foot. The victim was released from the vehicle about a block later. No one was injured.

With assistance from the community, investigators were able to locate a video of the incident that corroborated the statements of those involved.

The facts of this case were presented on Thursday 02/28/2019 to the Madison County State's Attorney's office who issued a warrant and information charging **Kejuan M. Towns**, 18 YOA of Granite City, IL with the following charges.

Count I: Aggravated Kidnapping  
Count II: Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm  
Count III: Aggravated Discharge of a Firearm  
Bond was set at \$250,000.00

On Friday 3/01/2019, Mr. Towns surrendered himself to the Collinsville Police Department for arrest.

Mr. Towns is considered innocent until proven guilty in court.

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