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18 Year Old Car Thief Arrested in Wallingford

On August 27, 2023 around 10:01pm, Wallingford Police responded to McGuire Court apartment's for a car theft in progress. The complainant reported that a male wearing a black hooded sweatshirt and black sweatpants was attempting to steal her silver 2011 Kia Soul. When Police arrived a male fitting the clothing description, was sitting reclined in the front driver seat of the Kia and the steering column near the ignition was detached. The male was in possession of a large flat head screw driver and USB cables utilized in Kia and Hyundai thefts.

The 18 year old male identified as Cody James Monty of 76 North Pearl Street, Meriden CT was arrested and charged with violation of Connecticut General Statute 53a-103 Burglary in the Third Degree, 53a-106 Possession of Burglary Tools, and 53a-119b(a) Using a Motor Vehicle without Owner's Permission. Monty was initially held on a \$10,000.00 bond and given a court date of September 08, 2023 to appear at Meriden court. On August 28, 2023 the Bail Commissioner granted Monty a Promise to Appear and Monty exited the Wallingford Police Department on foot.

On August 28, 2023, around 3:37am, Wallingford Police responded to Cumberland Farms on North Colony Road for a theft of a black Mazda CX-9. Cumberland Farms is approximately 2.1 miles away from the Wallingford Police Department and a 45 minute walk. After reviewing video footage captured at Cumberland Farms, Monty was observed taking the black Mazda CX-9 that was unattended, unlocked and running at a gas pump. At 5:30am Monty was apprehended by Meriden Police at his home and once again placed under arrest by Wallingford Police. Cody was charged for violation of Connecticut General Statute 53a-119c Larceny of Motor Vehicle. Monty was held on a \$25,000.00 bond and went to court on August 28, 2023.

Please contact the Wallingford Police Patrol Division (203)294-2800 or at <u>www.police.wallingfordct.gov</u> with any further information.



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