



# Webster Police Department

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**To: All Media Outlets**

**From: Lieutenant Michael D. Shaw**

**Date: March 23, 2017**

**RE: Arrest made in shooting**

On March 22, 2017 at approximately 1709 hours, Webster Police were dispatched to the Dunkin Donuts at 128 Main Street for a report of a gun shot in the parking lot. Officers arrived and, after a brief investigation, learned that a shooting had actually taken place and both the victim and suspect had fled the scene. The suspect had fled on foot, while the victim had fled in a vehicle.

Officers attempted to track the suspect utilizing Police K9s from both Oxford and Webster with negative results. As officers processed the scene and conducted their investigation, Harrington Hospital in Southbridge reported that the victim, Thomas Lareau, 21 from 11 Brown's Brook Road in Oxford, had just walked into the emergency room with a gunshot wound and reported it had happened at Dunkin Donuts in Webster. His injuries were not expected to be life threatening.

Webster Police Detectives spoke to Lareau, and along with patrol officers from the second shift identified the suspect as a 15 year old juvenile. The juvenile was located at his house in Webster a short while later and was taken into custody. The weapon used is believed to be a sawed off shotgun. The investigation into this incident is continuing at this time. Anyone with any information is asked to contact Webster Police Detectives at 508-943-1212. Anonymous tips may be left at 508-949-3874 or [www.websterpolice.com](http://www.websterpolice.com).

The juvenile was held at a secure detention center and will be arraigned this morning at Worcester Juvenile Court for:

Armed Assault to Murder  
Possession of a sawed off shotgun  
Discharge of a Firearm within 500 feet of a building  
Carrying a Firearm without a license  
Assault and Battery with a dangerous weapon  
Improper Possession of Ammunition

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