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OPD Responds to Man with Weapon – One Man Arrested

On Saturday, August 26, 2023, at approximately 1:14 P.M., Officers with the Owensboro Police Department responded to a Man with a Weapon in the 300 Block of Crittenden Street. Officers were advised that a male subject was inside a residence, had threatened two other individuals with a machete and gun, and was refusing to let them leave the residence. Officers arrived on the scene and secured the perimeter. Officers made contact with the individuals and after a short time, the two individuals exited unharmed.

Detectives with the Owensboro Police Department Criminal Investigations Division and the Emergency Response Team responded to the scene. Members of the Emergency Response Team began to call out the male subject from the residence and he exited the residence peacefully.

Detectives obtained and executed a search warrant for the residence and located a large machete and firearm replica.

The male subject was identified as John Williams (58 years old of Owensboro). Williams was arrested, charged, and transported to the Daviess County Detention Center on the following charges:

- Wanton Endangerment 1st Degree (2 Counts)
- Unlawful Imprisonment 2nd Degree (2 Counts)
- Probation Violation for Felony Offense (6 Counts)

Williams has previously been charged with:

- **Possession of a Controlled Substance 1st Degree 1st Offense (Methamphetamine) (4 Counts)**
- **Possession of a Controlled Substance 1st Degree 1st Offense (Drug Unspecified)**
- **Receiving Stolen Property \$1,000 Less than \$10,000**
- **Alcohol Intoxication in a Public Place (1st & 2nd Offense) (3 Counts)**
- **Criminal Trespass 1st Degree (2 Counts)**
- **Criminal Trespass 3rd Degree**
- **Theft of Services**
- **Possession of Drug Paraphernalia (2 Counts)**

Anyone with additional information can call OPD at 270-687-8888, or leave an anonymous tip with Crime Stoppers at 270-687-8484.