



## Public Information Release

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### **Assault of Five-Year-Old Male**

At 10:17 AM, the Bloomington Police responded to the South East Court at Mall of America on a report of a child falling from the third floor. While responding, officers received additional information that indicated the child may have been pushed or thrown from the third floor. Officers and witnesses located an injured five-year-old child on the first floor. The child was treated at the scene and then transported by ambulance to the hospital with life threatening injuries.

Officers were directed by witnesses to a suspect who was seen running from the area immediately after the incident. A 24-year-old male was taken into custody in the transit station at the Mall of America and is currently being held at the Bloomington Police Department. At this time the suspect does not appear to be known to the victim or to the victim's family. The suspect is from the metro area.

We believe this an isolated incident and there is no threat to the public. Bloomington Police, Hennepin County Sheriffs Crime Lab, and the Metro Transit Police continue to investigate this case.

Name of Arrested Party: Aranda, Emmanuel Deshawn  
Charge(s): Attempted Homicide

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