

## UAS Community Update

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December 1st, 2024

The following is a list of UAS deployments for November 2024:

Below is an overview of the small unmanned aerial systems used last month:

- On November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2000 hours, officers deployed a drone in the 300 block of Larpenteur after receiving a report of a man with a rifle walking around the outside of an apartment complex. The drone was used to search the area for the suspect.
- On November 2<sup>nd</sup> at 2130 hours, officers deployed a drone multiple times in the area between Cope Ave and Larpenteur Ave and White Bear Ave and English. Officers were searching for a suspect wanted for first-degree burglary and felony domestic assault. In addition to the drone, a K9 and a State Patrol helicopter were utilized.
- On November 7<sup>th</sup> at 0845 hours, detectives assisted the Ramsey County Violent Crime Enforcement Team in conducting surveillance at a location in St. Paul for an ongoing investigation into narcotics trafficking.
- On November 13<sup>th</sup> at 1330 hours, detectives and officers deployed the drone in the 2600 block of Minnehaha as they attempted to arrest an armed felon wanted for felony domestic assault and kidnapping. The suspect ran on foot, the drone tracked the suspect, who was taken into custody without further incident.
- On November 14<sup>th</sup> at 0300 hours, officers deployed the drone in the 2800 block of Southlawn following a domestic where the female was shot. The suspect barricaded himself inside the house. Patrol officers and SWAT used exterior drones to monitor the residence. SWAT deployed an interior drone, which located the suspect. SWAT was able to take the suspect into custody without further incident.
- On November 14<sup>th</sup> at 1545 hours, officers deployed the drone at the Mall after a report of a gun-pointing incident. The complaint refused to cooperate, and no additional information was developed.
- On November 15<sup>th</sup> at 0915 hours, officers were called to a juvenile male in the 1700 block of Bebee Road who was armed with a rifle and posting threats online. Multiple drones were deployed to monitor the address and see inside the building. The juvenile eventually surrendered without incident, and the stolen rifle was recovered.
- On November 16<sup>th</sup> at 0630 hours, officers deployed a drone in the area of Payne Ave and Kingston Ave, looking for a suicidal party whose phone was shown to be in the area.
- On November 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup>, officers conducted multiple drone deployments in the 2300 block of Ariel St to monitor the business where recent burglaries and cooper thefts had taken place.



- On November 27<sup>th</sup> at 1430 hours, detectives deployed a drone in the 300 block of Dorland Lane during an operation to apprehend a homicide suspect wanted out of Texas. The drone monitored the location and captured the suspect's apprehension.
- On November 27<sup>th</sup> at 2100 hours, officers deployed a drone in the area of Maryland and Earl to assist Ramsey County Sherriff's Department as they conducted a K9 search of the area for suspects who fled from a stolen vehicle.

