

## UAS Community Update

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**March 1st, 2025**

The following is a list of UAS deployments for February 2025:

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

- On February 1<sup>st</sup> at 0337 hours, Maplewood officers assisted St. Paul Police in searching for a domestic assault suspect. Officers deployed a drone to assist with a K9 search of the area.
- On February 1<sup>st</sup> at 0545 hours, officers deployed a drone in the 1600 block of Cope Ave E to locate motor vehicle theft suspects.
- On February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 0200 hours, officers deployed a drone in the 3300 block of Century Ave N to assist other agencies with a report of an armed person on the school campus. No suspects were located.
- On February 7<sup>th</sup> at 0300 hours, officers deployed a drone in the 1800 block of Mesabi Ave to assist in searching for a missing person.
- On February 13<sup>th</sup>, detectives deployed drones in the 1900 block of Birmingham while conducting a search warrant for a suspect wanted for felony firearm violations, felony assault, and domestic assault. The suspect was arrested.
- On February 16<sup>th</sup>, at 1420 hours, officers assisted North St Paul Police in the 2100 block of 13th Ave E in checking the area for the driver of an abandoned vehicle.
- On February 18<sup>th</sup> at 0500 hours, detectives assisted the Violent Crime Enforcement Team with an ongoing investigation where a warrant had already been issued. The case is still active, and the location is being withheld at this time.
- On February 26<sup>th</sup> at 2000 hours, officers were dispatched to a physical domestic on McMenemy St. Officers arrived and were speaking with the victim when gunshots were heard in the house. Officers evacuated the victims and established a perimeter. Drones were deployed outside and inside the home. The interior drone was sent into the basement where the shots were heard from and located a deceased male.
- On February 27<sup>th</sup> at 0800 hours, in the 1700 block of Bebee Rd, detectives deployed drones to monitor the address of a suspect wanted for criminal sexual conduct and to serve a subsequent warrant at the address. Detectives observed the suspect leave the residence and were able to take him into custody without incident.

