



# BRISTOL POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Date of Incident: March 26, 2016

Time of Incident: Stabbing

Incident Case #: 16-11850

## Summary:

On March 26, 2016 at approximately 8:11 P.M. The Bristol Police Communication Center received a 911 call reporting that a man had been stabbed at 115 Stearns St. Bristol Police and Bristol Hospital EMS responded to the scene. Arriving Officers found the homeowner, Gary McCarthy (age 80), on the front lawn outside his home. McCarthy was suffering from multiple stab wounds to his leg and upper torso. First aid was provided by the officers and EMS when they arrived. McCarthy was transported to St. Francis Hospital in Hartford and underwent surgery for treatment of his injuries. McCarthy was still in surgery at the time of this report and an update on his condition was unavailable.

McCarthy and his family members were able to identify his attacker. The suspect, Eric Bowden (age 20), of Waterbury, CT was located nearby at his parent's home in Bristol. He was taken into custody without incident.

Bowden was an acquaintance of a family member at 115 Stearns St., but the motive for the attack is not clear at this time. Bowden was charged with: Criminal Attempt to Commit Murder, Assault in the First Degree of an Elderly, and Home Invasion. He was held on a \$750,000.00 Surety Bond for court on Monday March 28, 2016.

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