**VALLEY CITY POLICE**

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PRESS RELEASE: VALLEY CITY BARRICADED SUBJECT CALL FOR SERVICE

On 7-17-2022 at 1236 the Valley City Police Department was dispatched to the 200 block 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave SE for a barricaded subject that may have started a fire in an apartment. VCPD officers arrived on scene and were able to make contact with the subject inside the apartment but the subject refused to exit. The building was evacuated as a precaution and the Valley City Fire Department was placed on stand-by if needed. A perimeter around the affected neighborhood was established to limit access.
At 1346 entry was made into the apartment by VCPD and the subject was taken into custody and transported to Mercy Hospital in Valley City for mental health evaluation. Burnt material was found inside the apartment but no structural damage was observed. No injuries were reported. Information regarding this incident will be sent to the Barnes County State's Attorney's office for consideration of any charges.

VCPD was assisted by the Barnes County Sheriff's Office, VCFD, and Barnes County Ambulance.


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