



The Hoboken Police Department



106 Hudson Street, Hoboken, New Jersey 07030

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

MEDIA CONTACT: Marci Rubin

Mrubin@hobokennj.gov

***** PRESS RELEASE *****

Hoboken police arrest man for committing lewd act in public park

The Hoboken Police Department announces the arrest of a Hoboken man for lewdness, after he exposed himself in Church Square Park.

On Friday, Aug. 25, at approximately 10:40 a.m., Police Officers James Barbro and Roberto Cuevas responded to Church Square Park, 400 Garden St., on reports of a man sitting on a park bench near the Fifth Street and Park Avenue entrance, exposing himself. When they arrived, the caller pointed the suspect out to officers. The man, later identified as 32-year-old Wander Torres, who is unhoused, refused to give his name to police and made threats to the original caller.

Torres was transported to Hoboken Police Headquarters, charged with lewdness, and making terroristic threats, and transported to the Hudson County Correctional Facility. He was found to have an active warrant from Union City for disorderly conduct.

The Hoboken Police Department has received complaints about quality-of-life issues in and around Church Square Park. The City, Public Safety Department, and Police Department are committed to addressing these issues by increasing routine police patrols in and around Church Square Park. In addition, Hoboken's social workers have been meeting with those experiencing homelessness in several locations including Church Square Park to connect them with the services they need.

Anyone who sees or experiences any criminal, disorderly, or suspicious activity in Church Square Park, or anywhere in Hoboken, is asked to call the police department to file a report at (201) 420-2100.