

## DEPARTMENT OF POLICE

## CITY OF WOOD DALE





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## PRESS RELEASE

## **BURGLARY**

Offender:



Maximo Escobedo 20 years old LKA 353 N. Edgewood Wood Dale

**Wood Dale, IL** – Wood Dale Officers responded to a Burglar Alarm call at the Smoke Shop, 419 E. Irving Park Rd., at approximately 12:08 a.m. Responding Officers observed the business' front door window pane smashed in. The owner of the store was located and showed officers a video captured of the incident. Officers on the scene were able to determine the subject breaking in the store had a strong resemblance to a subject the Wood Dale Police Department has arrested several times and as recently as January 9<sup>th</sup>, 2011 for Retail Theft. The Officers identified the subject in the video as: Maximo Escobedo who resides at 353 N. Edgewood Ave. Mr. Escobedo's residence is approximately two blocks away from the burglary scene.

The Wood Dale Police K-9 dog: "Laika" was deployed. The K-9 handler, and other officers, began to track for a suspect; that track led them to Mr. Escobedo's residence.

Officers were allowed entry into the residence and were able to observe, in plain view, some of the proceeds from the burglary. All proceeds from the burglary were recovered and additional evidence was gathered at the scene. Mr. Escobedo was taken into custody without incident.

The DuPage County State's Attorney's Office approved a one count charge of: "Burglary". If convicted, the charge of burglary carries a maximum fine of \$25,000 and a maximum penalty of seven years in prison.

If further information is needed regarding this arrest, contact Deputy Chief Mike Rivas, (630)787-3814.

Members of the public are reminded that this complaint contains only a charge and is not proof of the defendant's guilt. A defendant is presumed innocent and is entitled to a fair trial in which it is the government's burden to prove his or her guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.