Suspicious Device

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Update: suspicious Device (from last night)

Police arrested Andrew Bryant, DOB 11-1-79, on 2 counts of possession of a controlled substance, 1 count carrying a concealed weapon, 1 count possession of drug paraphernalia.

The suspicious device was confirmed to be a homemade device to make narcotics, not an explosive device.

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Update: Suspicious Device

At 9:20 p.m. an officer responded to the McDonald's at 2315 Tyrone Blvd for call about a man who had been in a car in the parking lot for five hours. When the officer arrived, the man appeared to be under the influence and he had a suspicious looking device inside a backpack.

Police evacuated nearby restaurants and businesses and closed Tyrone Blvd and 66th street to traffic from 9:58 until 1:30 a.m..

The Tampa Bomb Squad responded and detonated the device on site. No one was injured.

The man was taken to the hospital to be check-out. Charges are pending.

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St. Petersburg Police discovered a suspicious device inside a car at the McDonald's parking lot at 66th Street and Tyrone Blvd.

In an abundance of caution, officers have shut-down the entire intersection (Tyrone, 22nd Ave N, and 66th Street). The Tampa Bomb Squad has been called to assist.

Media should set up at the Shopping Center parking lot across 66th street from the mall.