

Cuyahoga County Prosecutor's Office Michael C. O'Malley

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Man Sentenced to 6 ½ Years for Eight Burglaries Spanning Four Cities Over a Four Month Period

CLEVELAND – Cuyahoga County Prosecutor Michael C. O'Malley announced that Bobby Weatherspoon, 51, was sentenced to six and a half years for eight burglaries in Shaker Heights, Bedford, Cleveland Heights, and Cleveland.

"This individual is a lifelong criminal who has made a living out of stealing," said Prosecutor O'Malley. "Our communities are in a much better place with this thief locked away."

Weatherspoon committed the following crimes between June and October 2019:

June 12, 2019: Weatherspoon broke into the victims' (ages 83 and 60) home on East 118th Street in Cleveland while they were gone and stole jewelry and purses.

September 16, 2019: Weatherspoon broke into the victims' (both 45) home on Cedar Road in Cleveland Heights while they were gone and stole two TVs, a Google Chromecast, Amazon Firestick, a box of electronic equipment, and an electric scooter.

September 19, 2019: Weatherspoon broke into the victims' (38 and 37) home on Warrington Road in Shaker Heights in the middle of the night while they were sleeping and stole their vehicle and wallet. Later that morning, Weatherspoon drove the stolen vehicle to another victim's (39) home on Paul Street in Bedford while she was gone and attempted to steal property out of her garage. The victim arrived home while the crime was in progress and confronted Weatherspoon. He got into the stolen vehicle and drove away, striking the victim's vehicle with her two children (17 and 14) inside.

September 28, 2019: Weatherspoon led Maple Heights Police on a pursuit when he lost control, hit another vehicle, and fled the scene on foot.

October 10, 2019: Weatherspoon broke into the victims' (both 34) garage on Keswick Road in Shaker Heights while they were gone, unplugged their security camera and left the scene. Hours later, he returned when the victims were home but fled the scene in a vehicle when one of the victims confronted him.

October 24, 2019: Weatherspoon broke into three separate garages/homes in Shaker Heights. He stole car keys, wallets, credit cards, and numerous yard tools – including an electric saw, leaf blower, weed whacker, battery charger, and ladder.



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An investigation by Shaker Heights Police Department, Bedford Police Department, Cleveland Heights Police Department, and Cleveland Police obtained DNA evidence, video surveillance, and multiple eyewitnesses that connected Weatherspoon to the crimes.

Weatherspoon pleaded guilty to the following charges:

- Four counts of Attempted Burglary
- Three counts of Theft
- One count of Failure To Comply
- One count of Grand Theft
- Two counts of Misuse Of Credit Cards
- Three counts of Breaking And Entering
- Two counts of Attempted Felonious Assault
- One count of Trafficking In Or Illegal Use Of Food Stamps
- One count of Obstructing Official Business
- One count of Attempted Breaking And Entering

He was sentenced to six and a half years in prison.