

**YOUR LOVED ONE JUST GOT ARRESTED.
WHAT DO YOU NEED TO DO IN THE FIRST 24 HOURS?**



BE PREPARED

Information You Should Have Ready:

- Your loved one's first and last name
- Date of Birth
- Agency who made arrest (e.g., Greensboro Police Dept.)

Information You Need to Get:

- Charges
- Bond amount
- First Appearance Date

Information You Need to Give:

- Proof of family support
- Proof of community ties
- Proof your loved one is not a flight risk
- Proof of employment/school enrollment

TAKE ACTION

1. Call the Guilford County Jail: (336) 641-6726

Ask what the charges are, whether they are felonies or misdemeanors, what their bond is, and when their first appearance court date is.

2. Call Guilford County Court Services: (336) 641-2660

Court Services may be able to supervise your loved one to reduce or eliminate the requirement that they post monetary bail. Ask for your loved one to be screened for pretrial release. In the event you reach their voicemail system, leave your name, your loved one's name, your relationship with your loved one, and a phone number where you can be reached.

3. Go to their first appearance:

If your loved one is not released on an unsecured bond or by being able to post their bond, go to their first appearance, usually in courtroom 2C at 2PM the day after their arrest.

The Courthouse address is 201 S. Eugene Street, Greensboro NC 27401.

4. Document what you know about the arrest:

Write down everything you know about the arrest - who arrested your loved one, where they were, when it occurred. Only share this information with your loved one's attorney.

TIPS

- Keep a record of who you spoke to, what time you called, and what was said during the conversation.
- NEVER discuss the case with your loved one over the phone! All calls are recorded, and can be used against your loved one in subsequent court proceedings.
- Keep going until you get answers and keep working with your loved ones' defense attorney throughout the court process.

Other Important Phone Numbers:

Clerk of Court's Office: (336) 412-7500
Public Defender's Office: (336) 412-7777
Guilford County Sheriff's Office: (336)641-3694