

SLT police arrest domestic violence suspect

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A multi-hour standoff on Monday night ended without South Lake Tahoe officers able to apprehend the suspect. However, officers this morning were back at the same residence near the Y with the belief the man was there.

On Jan. 23 at about 7:30am the victim came home to find Brandon Bannowski asleep in her bed. Officers responded and a foot pursuit ensued.

Bannowski fled to the state streets by hopping fences and running through backyards. He was eventually apprehended by officers and K-9 behind O'Reilly auto parts. Bannowski was taken to Barton Memorial Hospital for treatment of minor injuries and booked into jail on charges of domestic battery causing traumatic injury, violating a restraining order, brandishing a weapon, and resisting arrest.

Officers said on Monday Bannowski violated a restraining order by entering the home of his ex-girlfriend, threatened her with a baseball bat and choked her.

The victim is safe, according to officers.

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