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Newark Police arrest Dwight Gooden for DWI

Newark Public Safety Director Anthony F. Ambrose reports the arrest of New York Mets legend Dwight E. Gooden, 54, of Piscataway, for driving while intoxicated last night.

“It’s sad to see the continued problems of this former Mets’ star but it’s an example of the persistent scourge of drugs and alcohol in this country and the stranglehold they have on addicts,” Ambrose said.

At approximately 11:10 p.m., police patrolling the area of Ferry and Vincent streets conducted a motor vehicle stop of a 4-door 2012 black Chrysler observed driving in the wrong direction down a one-way street. EMS responded to the scene to evaluate the driver, who was arrested and transported to University Hospital for further evaluation.

Gooden faces a charge of driving while intoxicated. This charge is merely an accusation. The suspect is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

On June 7, 2019, Gooden was arrested by Holmdel Police for cocaine possession and driving under the influence.

During his career, which began in 1984, Gooden served a pitcher for the New York Mets and New York Yankees. In 1985, he won the Nation League’s Cy Young Award and assisted the Mets in winning the 1986 World Series.



Dwight Gooden