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Man taken to hospital after dog attack

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SOUTH BEND — A man was taken to an area hospital with wounds from a dog attack after the animal's owner reportedly sicced the dog on him, a witness told police.

Police were called to the 700 block of North Diamond Avenue about 7:20 p.m. Monday and found the victim bleeding from both hands. Police were unsure whether the man had been bitten anywhere else.

He was taken to an area hospital, but police say they were unable to talk to him because he ran out of the emergency room.

The dog's owner and another man were watching and laughing as the dog was biting the victim near the intersection of Lincoln Way West and Lawndale Avenue, a witness told police.

Police were unable to find the dog or its owner. The witness told police that the owner was beating the dog after the attack and then chased and yelled at it down Lincoln Way West.

Police said the victim may have been intoxicated.

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