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Minneapolis Police Arrest a Man Suspected in Two Homicides and a Shooting Today

September 18, 2024 (MINNEAPOLIS) Minneapolis Police Chief Brian O'Hara announced that officers have arrested a man suspected in two homicides that occurred today near homeless encampments as well as a non-fatal shooting incident that happened tonight in the 2300 block of 17th Avenue South around 7:20 pm. Approximately 15 minutes later, O'Hara said officers arrested the man near 26th St. East and 17th Avenue South. He was arrested without incident after MPD saturated the area with officers in a coordinated search for the suspect.

"I am so proud and grateful for the dedicated work of our officers who worked with urgency and captured a suspected violent criminal who went on a shooting rampage today," said O'Hara. "We will all continue to serve with a sense of urgency to impact the gun violence that continues to occur at an unacceptable level."

The victim in tonight's shooting, an adult male, suffered a potentially life-threatening gunshot wound. He was transported to Hennepin Healthcare Hospital.

Three hours earlier, at approximately 4:20 p.m., Third Precinct Officers responded to a shooting on the 2500 block of Bloomington Av S. Officers located a man in his 30s with a life-threatening gunshot wound lying in an alley. Officers provided immediate medical aid. Despite the lifesaving efforts, the man died at the scene. Preliminary information indicates that a group of individuals was walking by the man while he was standing near a garage. One individual walked up to the man and shot him in the head. The Hennepin County Medical Examiner will release the deceased man's name along with the cause and manner of death.

This fatal shooting happened just blocks from a homicide which occurred at 4:40 a.m. today. More information on that incident can be found below. (INCLUDE TEXT FROM FIRST HOMICIDE AT BOTTOM OF THIS RELEASE)

Investigators are still trying to determine the suspect's motive for the three shootings.

The GO# for this the homicide is 24-268166.

The GO# for the shooting is 24-268372

Anyone with information is encouraged to call CrimeStoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477). Tips may be submitted electronically at www.CrimeStoppersMN.org. All Tips are anonymous and persons providing information leading to an arrest and conviction may be eligible for a financial reward.

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Minneapolis Police are investigating an early morning fatal shooting at a homeless encampment.

September 18, 2024 (MINNEAPOLIS) Minneapolis Police Chief Brian O'Hara announced Wednesday that a double shooting at a homeless encampment left one injured and one dead. At approximately 4:40 a.m., Third Precinct Officers responded to a shooting on the 2500 block of 17th Av S. Officers located two adult men in an alley who were injured by gunfire. A man in his 30s with potentially life-threatening gunshot wounds was transported to Hennepin Healthcare. The second man had a fatal gunshot wound and died at the scene.

ShotSpotter technology indicated 4 shots were fired.

Officers secured the scene and canvassed the area. MPD Forensic Scientists responded to process the scene. Investigators are working to identify a suspect and determine the sequence of events that led up to the shooting.

The Hennepin County Medical Examiner will release the deceased man's name along with the cause and manner of death.

"There's a 20-year-old man that's dead this morning. Another man in his 30s has been injured by gunfire, and a whole community is impacted." Said Chief O'Hara. The Chiefs made the statement at 7:00 this morning while he pointed out that kids are getting up and walking to the bus stop. "They have to deal with walking past this every day, seeing needles and everything else that goes on here. Now they're walking past crime scene tape. It's a serious, serious issue, and we're looking forward to working with everyone who possibly can do their part to help us prevent things like this. There's been way too much crime and violence this year, and way too much associated with homelessness."

There have been no arrests.

The GO# for this incident is 24-267642.