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Minneapolis Police Investigating the Fifth Homicide in 24 Hours

May 1, 2025 (MINNEAPOLIS) – Minneapolis Police Chief Brian O’Hara confirmed a third fatal shooting incident in less than 24 hours, bringing the total number of homicides during that span to five.

First Incident – East 25th Street

Shortly before midnight on April 29, officers responded to multiple 911 calls and ShotSpotter activations in the 1500 block of East 25th Street. They discovered five victims. Two men and one woman were pronounced dead at the scene. Another man and woman sustained injuries and were transported for emergency medical care.

(GO #25-112008)

Second Incident – Cedar Avenue South

At approximately 1:00 p.m. on April 30, officers responded to reports of gunfire in the 2100 block of Cedar Avenue South. A man in his 30s was found lying in the street with life-threatening gunshot wounds. He died at the scene. A bullet from this incident also struck an unrelated SUV, narrowly missing two small children seated in the back.

(GO #25-112451)

Third Incident – 15th Avenue South

Around 7:45 p.m. on April 30, officers were alerted to gunfire in the 3000 block of 15th Avenue South via ShotSpotter. Responding officers found a man in his 50s with life-threatening gunshot wounds. He was transported to Hennepin Healthcare, where he later

died.

(GO#25-112872)

There have been no arrests. Investigators are working to determine whether these incidents are connected. Initial information suggests none of the shootings appears to be random.

“The level of violence this city has experienced in less than 24 hours is infuriating. Each individual act causes immense grief and tears families apart,” O’Hara said. “The MPD has deployed additional resources to increase police presence in the areas most affected. We’ve met with community leaders to hear their concerns and identify urgent, collaborative strategies for a strong community and law enforcement response. That work will continue in the days ahead. We must confront this head-on—and together.”

In response to these incidents, Minneapolis Mayor Frey has directed the Office of Community Safety (OCS) and the Minneapolis Police Department (MPD) to deploy every available resource to bring the perpetrators to justice and support the community. The City and MPD are working closely with all available federal, state, and local law enforcement partners. Minneapolis Neighborhood Community Relations (NCR) is collaborating with MPD, OCS, and the Native community. Additional patrols and technical resources have been added in the Phillips neighborhood, and efforts are underway to identify potential community needs for trauma response that the city could support.

The Hennepin County Medical Examiner will release the names of the deceased and the official causes and manners of death.

How to Submit a Tip

Anyone with information is encouraged to email policetips@minneapolismn.gov or leave a voicemail at 612-673-5845.

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