Media Information



Columbus Division of Police

Homicide Bureau / Team 2 Unit

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Type of Offense/Incident: Homicide/Felony Assault			Date: 9/13/2023		Time: 11:38 PM	
Location of Offense/Incident: 1500 Block South High S			reet Zone: 5		Precinct: 11	
Incident Report	#: 230717008		Cruiser District: 113			
Victim: Tavia Copley			emale	Race: White	Age: 24	
Victim: Taya Mollette			emale	Race: White	Age: 24	
Victim: Adult		Sex:		Race:	Age:	
Suspect:		Addres	S:			
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Incident Summary:

On September 13, 2023, at approximately 11:38 PM, Columbus Police officers were dispatched to the 1500 Block of South High Street on the report of a shooting. Officers arrived at scene and found three victims suffering from gunshot wounds. Ms. Tavia Copley was pronounced deceased at scene by Columbus Fire Medic #3 personnel at 11:46 PM. Ms. Taya Mollette was transported to a local hospital in critical condition, but was pronounced deceased at 12:29 AM on September 14, 2023. A third adult victim was transported to a local hospital but is expected to survive their wounds.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call the Columbus Police Homicide Unit at (614) 645-4730 or Central Ohio Crime Stoppers at (614) 461-TIPS (8477). Detective A. Hughes is the lead detective on the case and is being assisted by Detective Wood.

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