



# Hampton Police Division Media Release

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## **Suspect in Custody for Double Homicide Investigation: Mercury Boulevard and Woodland Road**

At 3:57 p.m., Hampton Communications received a (w-911) call in reference to a shooting at the Woodland Skate Park, located at the intersection of Woodland Road and Mercury Boulevard. Upon officer's arrival, they located an adult male deceased on scene from a gunshot wound to the upper torso. A second adult male victim was also located suffering from a gunshot wound to the upper torso. Members of the Hampton Fire and Rescue Division responded to the scene and transported the second victim to a local hospital with life threatening injuries; where he was later pronounced deceased at 4:56 p.m.

The preliminary investigation revealed that the suspect and victims, who were all known to one another, got into an altercation. The suspect left the skate park and returned a short time later armed with a firearm. The suspect shot both victims and fled the scene on a moped.

At approximately 4:06 p.m., Hampton Dispatch received a call for a stolen Jeep Liberty from the 1700 block of Newton Road. An individual, matching the shooting suspect's description had relieved the victim of her Jeep Liberty. At 4:14 p.m., officers located the suspect vehicle in the area of Shelton Road and Grimes Road. A short vehicle pursuit ensued and a traffic stop was conducted and the suspect was taken into custody at the VA Medical Center at 4:19 p.m., without further incident.

The circumstances and the motive are still under investigation. The victim's identities will not be released at this time pending the notification of their next of kin. As further information on the suspect's identity becomes available it will be released.

Anyone with information that will assist police is encouraged to contact the Hampton Police Division at 727-6111 or Crime Line at 1-888-LOCK-U-UP. Crime Line callers remain anonymous and never appear in court. If a Crime Line call results in an arrest, the caller is eligible for a reward up to \$1,000.00. You can also send an anonymous tip via text message to the Hampton Police Division by texting the keyword **757HPD** and your tip to **847411 (tip411)**. (Please be advised that the anonymous texting is not affiliated with Crime Line).

Corporal Mary Shackelford will receive questions about this release at 757-846-6866.

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