



# Hampton Police Division Media Release

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## Victim Identified in Homicide Investigation: 1900 Block of Coliseum Drive

The Hampton Police Division has identified the victim of the homicide that occurred on January 16, 2015.

At 10:58 p.m., Public Safety Communications received several complaints of shots fired near the parking lot of Kelly's Tavern which is located in the 1900 block of Coliseum Drive. While officer's were investigating the initial complaint, Public Safety Communications was notified that there were two male shooting victims at the Sentara Careplex. One of those victims was pronounced deceased upon his arrival. He has been identified as **Jamar Thomas**, a 20-year-old Hampton man. The other victim, a 17-year-old Newport News male, is being treated for non-life threatening injuries.

The preliminary investigation has revealed that both victims were in the Kelly's Tavern parking lot when they were shot. The motive and circumstances remain under investigation. The investigation is on-going. Additional information will be released as the investigation continues.

Anyone with information that will assist police is encouraged to contact the Hampton Police Division at 727-6111 or the Crime Line at 1-888-LOCK-U-UP. Tipsters can also send an anonymous tip via text message to the Crime Line by texting "**HAMPTONPDTIPS plus your tip**" to 274637 (CRIMES). 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.

Sergeant Jason Price will receive questions about this release

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