



LANCASTER CITY POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Homicide-Updated Information

Shortly before 7:00 pm, Wednesday, August 31st, Officers of the Lancaster City Police were dispatched to the area of Poplar & New Dorwart Sts for a report of a shooting. Upon arrival, they discovered the victim, a 28 year old man, formerly of Philadelphia, who had been shot in an alley between the 600 Blocks of Poplar and St. Joseph St. The victim was conveyed to a local hospital, where he died a short time later.

Detectives responded to the scene and located several witnesses, who were subsequently conveyed to the police station, where they are currently being interviewed. Crime Scene processing and a neighborhood canvas is being conducted at this time.

The preliminary investigation conducted thus far has revealed that the victim had been in the block for some period of time with some other individuals and became involved in a verbal dispute with someone he was acquainted with, which ultimately resulted in him being shot. Police are not releasing the identity of the victim until next of kin have been notified. This is an active and on-going investigation. Anyone with information is asked to call the Lancaster City Police at 735-3300. Callers do not have to give their names to provide information.

UPDATED INFORMATION:

The victim has been identified as:

Robert HAMPTON 28 years old
Formerly of Philadelphia, PA

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