



**HIGH POINT POLICE DEPARTMENT  
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**INCIDENT TYPE – ASSAULT WITH A DEADLY WEAPON AT 224 MOFFITT DR**

HIGH POINT, NC – On Sunday, January 20, 2019, at approximately 4:18 PM High Point Police Officers were dispatched to 224 Moffitt DR after a caller reported hearing twenty (20) shots in the area. As officers were in route they received additional information that the location of occurrence was 224 Moffitt Dr and at least one person had been struck by gunfire. Upon arrival, officers located one victim **B/M/22 of High Point** suffering from a gunshot wound to the chest lying in the backyard of the residence. The victim was transported by EMS to Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center in Winston-Salem in serious condition life-threatening injuries.

While officers were on scene on Moffitt Drive, officers were notified by medical staff at High Point Regional Hospital that a second victim **B/M/24 of High Point** had arrived at the hospital by way of a private vehicle and was suffering from several non-life threatening gunshot wounds to his lower extremities. The vehicle that delivered the second victim to the hospital fled the scene prior to the arrival of investigating officers. The driver of that vehicle was later identified as **Ladarius T Easterling B/M 20 of High Point**. Easterling who is currently on probation with the North Carolina Department of Public Safety was located by Probation Officers and arrested on unrelated domestic violence charges from another jurisdiction. He was confined to the Guilford County Jail under a domestic hold.

Officers interviewed the parties involved as part of the investigation. As part of the investigation, officers applied for and were granted a search warrant for the residence located at 224 Moffitt Dr. Several items of evidence were located and seized including but not limited to an AR-15 rifle, ammunition, marijuana, and heroin.

High Point Police Department remain diligent in identifying those persons involved in criminal activity in High Point and holding them and their associates responsible for their actions.



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Anyone with information related to this investigation is asked to contact Crimestoppers of High Point at 336-889-4000.

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