



# HIGH POINT POLICE DEPARTMENT NEWS MEDIA RELEASE

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**Update: July 13, 2023**

## INCIDENT TYPE – **UPDATE** HOMICIDE (BURGE PLACE)

HIGH POINT, NC – Detectives with the High Point Police Department's Violent Crimes Unit are working to identify and locate a murder suspect. Any community members with information about the man pictured on the next page are asked to reach out to detectives or Crime Stoppers of High Point immediately.

On June 28, 2023, the High Point Fire Department called officers to the scene of a house fire at 419 Burge Place. Officers found **Omar Marmolejo Noriega (H/M, 41, High Point)** dead inside the home. Detectives determined he died from injuries unrelated to the house fire.

Detectives have worked diligently for weeks to identify a suspect. At this time, they believe the suspect is a Hispanic male.

Anyone with information about the suspect's identity or location can submit an anonymous tip to Crime Stoppers of High Point by calling 336-889-4000 or downloading the P3 Tips mobile app. Crime Stoppers is offering a \$5,000 reward for any information leading to the suspect's arrest or an indictment. Typically, this reward is *up to* \$5,000 but it has been increased for this case.

*\*See suspect photos and previous updates on this case below*



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*Photos of Homicide Suspect (Burge Place)*

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**UPDATE-** On Saturday, July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2023, the trailer pictured below was located and recovered in Greensboro. The High Point Police Department Violent Crimes Unit continues to aggressively pursue this investigation. As such, there is no further information to release at this time.

*Case Report Number: 2023-234*

*Update Prepared by: Major K. M. Ray*

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## **INCIDENT TYPE – HOMICIDE (BURGE PLACE)**

HIGH POINT, NC – On Wednesday, June 28, 2023, High Point Fire Department responded to a house fire at 419 Burge Place. They located one male inside of the home that was badly burned. He was transported to High Point Hospital where he was pronounced dead.

Upon further investigation, it was determined that **Mr. Omar Marmolejo Noriega (H/M, 41, High Point)** had injuries that were not solely related to the fire. This prompted a police investigation by the High Point Police Department's Violent Crimes Unit.

This is now being investigated as a homicide.

Anyone with information about the trailer in the below pictures, please contact police immediately.



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If you have any information related to this case, please contact Crime Stoppers of High Point at 336-889-4000.

**At this time, there is no additional information that will be released to protect the integrity of the investigation.**

This is homicide number six in 2023 compared to nine at this time in 2022.

The High Point Police Department remains committed to crime-fighting, community engagement, training, and professional policing. We will continue to collaborate with our community members and crime-fighting partners to promote a higher quality of life. Anyone with information about violent crime or illegal activity is asked to contact Crime Stoppers of High Point at 336-889-4000 or Download the P3 mobile app for IOS or Android.

*Case Report Number(s): 2023-23427*

*Press Release prepared by: Lt. Patrick Welch*

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