



**HIGH POINT POLICE DEPARTMENT
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INCIDENT TYPE – CRIMINAL HOMICIDE AT 709 GARRISON ST

HIGH POINT, NC – On Sunday, December 24, 2017, at approximately 1:45 am officers from the High Point Police Department were requested to conduct a welfare check at a residence located at 709 Garrison St. Responding officers located a 16-year-old female victim (Identity not released at this time) inside the residence who had been killed by a gunshot wound to the head. At this time, an offender has been identified by High Point Police, however no information will be released at this time due to an active investigation). This is the 17th Criminal Homicide in High Point during 2017.

Prior to receiving the welfare check request, Greensboro Police had responded to a traffic accident with injuries at or near the intersection of E Wendover Av and Norwalk St. Responding Greensboro Police units made contact with the driver of the vehicle Phillip A Coleman (B/M 49) who advised officers that the passenger in the vehicle had shot himself in the head as they were traveling from High Point to Greensboro. Coleman also advised officers that he believed at least one person had been shot at 709 Garrison St. The passenger was transported to Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center in Winston-Salem for serious but non-life-threatening injuries.

High Point Police Officers arrived at the residence located at 709 Garrison St and were advised by (3) three teenage juveniles that someone had been shot inside the residence. Officers entered the residence and located the 16-year-old female victim deceased in a downstairs bedroom.

Witness statements indicate that an offender was upset by the fact that his stepson and a few of his friends had gathered at the home while he was out of town. The offender unexpectedly shot the female victim in the head before another teen tackled him allowing everyone to flee the residence.



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High Point Police Detectives remain diligent in identifying those persons involved in criminal activity in High Point and holding them and their associates responsible for their actions. Anyone with any information is asked to contact Detective Wade at 336-887-7841.

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Press Release prepared by Lieutenant C.H.Cheeks III



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