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UNINTENTIONAL VICTIMS STRUCK DURING SHOOTING

UPDATE:

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department has arrested the shooter in this case. After speaking with witnesses, detectives were able to identify the shooter as Joshua Ladson, B/M, 02/17/1988, a resident of the City of Plantation. An arrest warrant was obtained and Joshua was located and taken into custody on August 10th, 2020. Joshua is charged with two counts of Attempted Murder and is being held with a \$100,000.00 bond. Additional charges are pending and the investigation is on-going.

ORIGINAL:

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating a shooting that occurred on Saturday, August 8th, 2020, at approximately 6:41 p.m. The shooting occurred at 50 NW 1st Street, in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Preliminary investigation revealed the shooting occurred during an altercation between two males. While the altercation was occurring an additional male, who was later identified and arrested, retrieved a gun from a vehicle and provided it to one of the males. The male then began to shoot the gun multiple times, striking two unintentional victims, an adult female and an 11 year old boy. Both victims were transported to Broward Health Medical Center where they are currently in stable condition.

Detectives were able to locate a witness who identified the male that provided the gun to the shooter. The male was identified as Stanley Johnson, B/M, 08/30/1959, a resident of Lauderhill. Stanley was later arrested and charged with two counts of Aggravated Battery with a Firearm and Possession of a Firearm by a Convicted Felon. Stanley confessed to his involvement in the shooting.

Investigation into the identity of the shooter is on-going. Anyone who may have witnessed the shooting or who has information regarding the incident is encouraged to contact Detective Kirtman at (954) 828-6070 or Detective Knapp at (954) 828-4787.

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