

## FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT **NEWS RELEASE**

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## SHOOTING DOUBLE HOMICIDE

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating a double homicide that occurred on Tuesday, May 9<sup>th</sup>, at approximately 2:26 a.m. The incident occurred at 1975 West Sunrise Boulevard in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Officers responded to the area after receiving multiple reports of a shooting. Upon arrival on scene, they located two adult victims, an adult male and an adult female. Officers provided tactical medical care until Fort Lauderdale Fire Rescue arrived and transported both victims to Broward Health Medical Center. Both victims were later pronounced deceased at the hospital.

The adult male victim has been identified as Vernaldo Donner, B/M, DOB 05/19/1999, a resident of the City of Deerfield Beach. The adult female victim has been identified as Terri McKenzie, B/F, DOB 10/07/2001, also a resident of the City of Deerfield Beach.

Preliminary investigation has revealed that the victims were driving in a 2017 Mercedes Benz GLC 300 when the shooting occurred. The shooting began on West Sunrise Boulevard as the victims were entering the northbound Interstate 95 ramp. The shooting continued along the Interstate 95 ramp. Based on the final stopping place of the victims' vehicle, the Fort Lauderdale Police Department continues to work with our law enforcement partners at the Florida Highway Patrol but remains the lead investigating agency for this incident.

Detectives encourage anyone who may have witnessed this incident or anyone who may have information about the identity of the involved suspect(s) to contact Detective Thomas Taylor at 954-828-6673. Information can be provided anonymously by contacting Broward County Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS (8477).



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(photo of similar vehicle to the victims)

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