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Incident Location: 2000 block of Vawter St., Urbana, IL.

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HOMICIDE - URBANA

On Friday, December 8, at approximately 9:41 p.m., Urbana Police responded to calls in the 2000 block of Vawter, reporting a shooting with injuries. Upon arrival, officers discovered a 34-year-old male from Urbana who had sustained multiple gunshot wounds to the upper torso. The victim was inside of a residence when police arrived.

The victim was transported by ambulance to a nearby hospital and despite life-saving efforts, he was pronounced deceased by medical personnel. The Champaign County Coroner's Office/Urbana Police will not release the victim's identity until all necessary notifications to next of kin have been completed.

Preliminary investigation suggest that this incident was not a random act and there is currently no indication of an imminent threat to the general public. The investigation of the incident is ongoing and no further information will be released at this time.

Urbana Police ask that anyone who has additional information or video footage of the incident please contact police at 217-384-2320. Arrangements can be made for information to be shared privately. Anyone wishing to remain anonymous may also submit tips to Crime Stoppers by phone at: 217-373-8477 (TIPS); online at 373tips.com; or the "P3 Tips" mobile app.

Citizens are reminded that information submitted to Crime Stoppers is completely anonymous. Calls are routed to a third-party national call center that receives your information, completes a tips information form, and then passes the information to the appropriate law enforcement agency. Caller ID tracking is not utilized by Crime Stoppers and conversations are not recorded.

Crime Stoppers will pay cash rewards of \$5,000 for tips that lead to an arrest in any homicide case, \$2,500 for tips leading to an arrest in a felony crime involving a firearm, and up to \$1,000 for tips leading to the arrest of the person(s) responsible for any other crime.

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