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Kearney Police Department Investigating Gun Shots Fired

On Sunday, May 14, 2023 at approximately 2:30 a.m. Kearney Police Department Officers received a report of gun shots fired in the 1000 block of W 23rd Street. When officers arrived, an adult male subject was contacted near W 23rd and 7th Ave suffering from an apparent laceration/stab wound to the leg. Officers administered first aid at the scene and called for a rescue squad. The victim was transported by EMS to CHI Good Samaritan Hospital Emergency Department with a serious but non-life-threatening laceration.

Officers located evidence of multiple gun shots in the area with several residential structures being struck by gun fire. Kearney Police Investigators and Crime Lab Specialists were called to the scene to process and collect evidence. At this time there are no reports or evidence of anyone being struck by gun fire.

Preliminary information indicates there was a disturbance inside a residence involving the subject contacted with the laceration and an unknown group of individuals. Police believe this is an isolated, targeted incident, and there is no ongoing threat to the community. At this time, no suspects have been identified. Due to the proximity to UNK, Kearney Police have been in communication with UNKPD and Senior Leadership at UNK.

There may be multiple witnesses with knowledge of this incident. Anyone with information regarding this incident is encouraged to contact the Kearney Police Department (308) 237-2104, Buffalo County Crimestoppers (308) 237-3424, or through the See It Say It Send It App. This is an ongoing investigation; additional details will be released as available. Investigators are aware of information circulating via social media, accurate information about this case will come from the Kearney Police Department.

“I’m certain an incident involving gun fire is unsettling for members of our community. I want to make it clear, this dangerous criminal behavior is unacceptable and irresponsible. Violent crime will not be tolerated in our community. Our Investigators will work tirelessly to identify and locate those responsible. As always, we appreciate any information from anyone who may have witnessed this incident or know the whereabouts of those involved.” – Chief Bryan D. Waugh

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