

Media Information



Columbus Division of Police
Major Crimes Bureau / Homicide Unit

Date: 1/12/2021

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Type of Offense/Incident: Homicide

Date: 1/12/2021

Time: 7:24PM

Location of Offense/Incident: 778 E Hudson St.

Zone: 4

Precinct: 2

Incident Report #: 210028262

Cruiser District: 20

Victim: Kiran Hill (Deceased)

Sex: Male

Race: Black

Age: 18

Victim: Name Withheld

Sex: Male

Race: White

Age: 33

Victim:

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Suspect: Josiah Cocroft

Address: 5600 Millersfield Dr.

☒ Arrested ☐ Warrant on File

Sex: Male

Race: Black

Age: 17

Charges: Murder

Suspect:

Address:

☐ Arrested ☐ Warrant on File

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Charges:

Incident Summary:

On Tuesday, January 12, 2021, at 7:24PM, Columbus Police Officers were called to the E & E Market, located at 778 E. Hudson St., on a report of a shooting. On arrival, officers found Kiran Hill, 18, suffering from an apparent gunshot wound. CFD Medic 13 transported Hill to Riverside Methodist Hospital in critical condition, where he was pronounced deceased by attending physicians at 7:48PM.

The investigation revealed that Josiah Cocroft, 17, and Hill attempted to rob the unnamed victim. During the robbery Hill brandished a firearm. The unnamed victim, who is a CCW permit holder, produced his own handgun. Hill was then fatally wounded during an exchange of gunfire with the unnamed victim. Following the altercation, the unnamed victim remained at scene and waited for officers to arrive

Anyone with information regarding this incident, is asked to call Columbus Police Homicide Unit at (614) 645-4730 or Central Ohio Crime Stoppers at (614) 461-TIPS (8477). This is the 12th Homicide in Columbus Ohio in Calendar Year 2021. Incident #210028262. Detective Kelley is the lead detective on the case and is being assisted by Detective Polgar.

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