



Media Information

Columbus Division of Police
Homicide Bureau / Homicide Unit

Date: 7/17/2025

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Ext:

Type of Offense/Incident: Homicide and Felonious Assault

Date: 9/25/2024

Time: 8:23 PM

Location of Offense/Incident: 1400 block of Burstock Road

Zone: 5

Precinct: 12

Incident Report #: 240717669

Cruiser District: 123

Victim: Larry D. Yantis III (deceased)

Sex: Male

Race: White

Age: 33

Victim: ADULT VICTIM

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Victim:

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Suspect: Montana A. Smallwood

Address:

☒ Arrested

☐ Warrant on File

Sex: Male

Race: Black

Age: 19

Charges: Murder

Suspect:

Address:

☐ Arrested

☐ Warrant on File

Sex:

Race:

Age:

Charges:

Incident Summary:

*** UPDATE #2: Through their investigation, detectives filed an arrest warrant for suspect MONTANA SMALLWOOD, age 19, charging him with Murder. On July 17, 2025, Columbus Police SWAT officers arrested Smallwood without incident. Smallwood was slated into the Franklin County Jail. Suspect DEAIRE SUMMERALL was previously arrested and indicted. ***

On September 25, 2024, CPD Patrol officers were dispatched to the listed location on the report of a shooting. Upon arrival, officers located two victims suffering from gunshot wounds. One individual was pronounced deceased by responding medics. The second victim (an adult) was transported to a local hospital in critical condition where they remain. Homicide investigators developed a suspect who was later charged in this murder. He was arrested by the CPD SWAT team without incident on the Columbus' near east side. The name of the murder victim is being withheld pending notification of the next of kin.

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). Detective Egelhoff is the lead detective on the case and is being assisted by Detective Niederkohr.

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