



Media Information

Columbus Division of Police
Homicide Bureau / Homicide Unit

Date: 1/6/26

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Type of Offense/Incident: Homicide

Date: 1/5/26

Time: 11:35 PM

Location of Offense/Incident: 2900 block of Hayden Rd.

Zone: 4

Precinct: 17

Incident Report #: 260011853

Cruiser District: 172

Victim: ADULT VICTIM	Sex:	Race:	Age:
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Suspect:	Address:			
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Incident Summary:
 On January 5, 2026, at 11:35 PM, Columbus Police officers were dispatched to the 2900 block of Hayden Rd. on a reported shooting. Upon arrival, officers located an unresponsive adult victim suffering from a gunshot wound. Columbus Fire medics transported the victim to a local hospital, where the victim was pronounced deceased on January 6, 2026, at 12:08 AM.

This shooting occurred within a business, and two people were detained after identifying themselves as shooting the victim. Those detained claimed self-defense and a commercial robbery attempted by the victim is being investigated as a possible motive. The investigation continues.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call Columbus Police Detective Egelhoff at (614) 645-4075, the Homicide Unit at (614) 645-4730, or Central Ohio Crime Stoppers at (614) 461-TIPS (8477). Detective Egelhoff is the lead detective and is being assisted by Detective Jude.

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