

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE Incident Location: 1400 block of Eads St, Urbana, IL. Date/Time of Release: 09/14/23 at 2:50 p.m. Date/Time of Incident: 09/14/23 at 4:20 p.m.



SHOTS FIRED – URBANA

On Thursday, September 14, 2023, at about 2:50 p.m., Urbana officers responded to the area of the 1400 block of Eads St. in Urbana, for several reports of shots fired in the area. Police arrived and found that nobody had been shot, and as of this time, no property has been reported damaged from the multiple shots fired.

Preliminary investigation leads police to believe that two groups, who were all on foot, were shooting at each other in the 1400 block of Eads. During the shooting, one of the groups ran west across Wright Street and onto Grove Street near the area of Booker T. Washington School. Nobody at the school is injured, nor is it suspected at this point that this had anything to do with the school. This appeared to be a targeted attack from one group to another and there is no reason to believe that any student was targeted or there is an immediate risk to the public.

Urbana and Champaign officers are still on the scene collecting evidence. As of this time, no arrests have been made and the case is under investigation. Urbana PD would like to thank Champaign PD for their assistance in this case.

Urbana PD 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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