



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Incident Location: 1800 Block Cottage Grove., Urbana
Date/Time of Press Release: March 18th, 2024 11:00 AM.
Date/Time of Incident: March 16th, 2024 12:20 PM.



AGGRAVATED DISCHARGE OF A FIREARM - URBANA

On Saturday, March 16th, 2024 at about 12:20 PM, Urbana officers responded to the 1800 block of Cottage Grove for a report of shots heard. Officers arrived and discovered that nobody was injured, but located a total of 13 shell casings in the vicinity. The casings were recovered near Colorado & Cottage Grove, while others were recovered in the 1100 block of Colorado Avenue. A resident in the 1800 block of Cottage Grove found that their residence had been struck by a single bullet. One other unoccupied residence was struck, along with a vehicle in a nearby parking lot. Witnesses described a dark SUV speeding in the area after the shooting.

The motive for the shooting is unknown and the investigation into this incident is ongoing.

Urbana Police ask that anyone who has additional information please call 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-TIPS (217-373-8477); online at 373tips.com; or the "P3 Tips" mobile app.

Community members 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 tip 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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