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Amherst Police Investigating Fatal Shooting

Amherst Police are continuing with their investigation into a fatal shooting that occurred on the evening of April 13th, 2026.

At approximately 6:51pm on April 13th 2026, Amherst Police received a call concerning a loud bang heard on Prince Arthur Street and that a male was on the ground and appeared to be injured at that location. Police attended and located an adult male who appeared to be seriously wounded from a single gunshot wound to the lower back. The male was transported to the hospital and shortly thereafter, was pronounced deceased. The male was 41 years old.

The Cumberland Regional Health Care Centre, in line with policies regarding these types of incidents, took safety precautions and measures as a result of the incident.

Those responsible fled the scene in a vehicle after the incident.

It is reported that:

- The victim was walking on Prince Arthur Street
- A dark-coloured Subaru SUV pulled up behind the victim who started to run
- An occupant of the vehicle stepped out of the vehicle and had what appeared to be a long-gun and shot the victim
- The victim fell and the suspect vehicle fled the scene

Police do not have any reason to believe there is an additional risk to the public at this time and believe that those involved were known to each other. Police considered the use of the Alert Ready System, but the incident did not meet the criteria at the time.

Members of the Major Crime Unit, Truro Police Criminal Investigation Division, the RCMP Forensic Identification Unit, the Nova Scotia Medical Examiners Office and additional investigators are assigned to the matter and are in the early stages of the investigation.

Our thoughts and prayers are with the family of the victim at this tragic time.

Investigators are asking anyone with information on this incident to contact the Amherst Police Department at 902-667-8600 or by contacting the Nova Scotia Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (8477), text TIP202 + your message to 'CRIMES' (274637) or by Secure Web Tips at www.crimestoppers.ns.ca. Calls to Crime Stoppers are not taped or traced and if police make an arrest and lay charges based on a tip, callers qualify for a cash reward from \$50 - \$2000.

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