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**Crash and death investigation in northeast Salem**

**UPDATE:**

As a result of the ongoing investigation into the January 16, 2021 traffic crash on Savage RD near Ladd AV NE, Salem Police detectives determined the crash was a result of an earlier shooting at Hoover Park which resulted in the driver of the vehicle being struck by gunfire. The driver ultimately crashed the vehicle nearby and was pronounced deceased at the scene. A second occupant of the vehicle was injured and transported to Salem Health.

The Oregon State Medical Examiner determined the cause of death was from a gunshot wound.

Detectives identified and arrested two suspects, one adult and one juvenile, for their involvement. Due to the continuing investigation, no further information related to the suspects' identities or charges will be released.

Questions related to the investigation or arrest of the individuals may be directed to the Marion County District Attorney's Office at 503-588-5222.

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**Salem, Ore.** — On January 16, 2021 at approximately 8:15 p.m., Salem Police officers responded to a report of a shots fired call near Savage RD and Ladd AV NE.

When officers arrived, they located a single vehicle crash into a tree. Two victims were found inside the car. One victim was pronounced deceased at the scene. The second victim was transported to the hospital by ambulance to be treated for their injuries.

Anyone who may have heard or seen anything in the area around the time of the incident is asked to call the Salem Police TIPS line 503-588-8477.

This is an active investigation, and as such, no further information will be released at this time.

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