

Delaware State Police Conducting Homicide Investigation- Seaford

Seaford- Delaware State Police are conducting a homicide investigation that occurred Sunday morning in Seaford.

On October 24, 2021, at approximately 2:11 a.m., the Seaford Fire Department was dispatched to a house fire at a residence located on the 11000 block of Hastings Farm Road, Seaford. Upon entry into the residence, firefighters extinguished the fire and located a victim deceased from an apparent gunshot wound. Troopers then responded to the residence and secured the scene.

The Delaware State Police Homicide Unit took over the investigation of the incident. Initial investigation revealed that the 39-year-old victim was inside of the residence when unknown suspects forced entry through a side door and fired multiple rounds. The victim was shot once and fell to the living room floor. The suspects then set a fire in the living room before fleeing the residence on foot.

The body was turned over to the Division of Forensic Science for an autopsy. Identification of the victim is pending notification to the next of kin.

There is currently no suspect information available.

Hastings Farm Road was closed for approximately 7 hours while the incident was investigated.

This case remains an active and ongoing investigation being conducted by the Delaware State Police Homicide Unit. Anyone with information regarding the incident is asked to contact Detective Bluto by calling 302-752-3864. Information may also

be provided by calling Delaware Crime Stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>.

If you or someone you know is a victim or witness of a crime or have lost a loved one to a sudden death and are in need of assistance, the Delaware State Police Victim Services Unit/Delaware Victim Center is available to offer you support and resources 24 hours a day through a toll-free hotline 1800 VICTIM-1. (1-800-842-8461). You may also email the unit Director at Debra.Reed@delaware.gov.

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