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Sheriff Champagne Seeks Help in Norco Homicide Investigation

The St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office is still actively investigating a homicide that occurred on December 15, 2012. Deputies of the St. Charles Sheriff's Office responded to 231 St. Charles Street Apt. B6 in Norco, Louisiana in reference to a Shooting. Upon arrival, deputies located a 21 year old W/M later identified as Jay Bertucci lying on the floor with a single gunshot wound to his chest.

Bertucci answered the door at which time a black male subject pointed a handgun at him. Bertucci attempted to grab the gun at which time the gun fired striking Bertucci in the chest. The subject, along with two other subjects outside of the door then fled the scene on foot. These subjects are described as three black males, two of the males wore black "hoodies" and one of them had a bandana covering his face.

This incident, which appears to be drug related, is under investigation.

Anyone having any information is asked to contact Detective Joseph Dewhirst with the St. Charles Parish Sheriff's Office at 985-783-1135 or 985-783-6807 or contact Crime Stoppers at 1-877-903-STOP. Citizens do not have to give their name nor testify and could receive up to \$2,500.