

## **Detroit Police: Parolee sought in double murder**

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DETROIT -- Police are looking for a 29-year-old Detroiter, who absconded from parole two years ago, in connection with a double murder on the city's east side.

An arrest warrant names James Morgan III in several felonies in connection with the slayings, which occurred Thursday in an apartment complex at Cadieux and Gravier, Detroit Police said Saturday.

Homicide investigators said two men burst into apartment and opened fire on three people inside. A 35-year-old man and an 18-year-old woman were killed. A 17-year-old girl was in critical condition at St. John Hospital following the shooting.

Police said the 35-year-old was shot at least 12 times as he tried to flee. He was found dead between buildings in the complex, police said.

The female victims were bound with duct tape and shot, police said. The dead woman's infant children were in the apartment at the time of the shootings, but were not harmed, said Detroit Police Cmdr. James Tolbert, head of the department's Major Crimes Division.

Morgan is named in the warrant with two counts of first-degree murder, two counts of felony murder, being a felon in possession of a firearm and as a habitual offender committing his fourth offense.

Police allege Morgan uses several aliases, including **Lakari Berry** .

Morgan previously was convicted of carrying a concealed weapon, stealing an auto and other property crimes, according to Detroit Police.

Morgan became a parole absconder in March 2005 on felony firearm sentences, according to the State Department of Corrections Web site.

Those with information should call Detroit Police at (313) 596-2260 or (800) SPEAK-UP.

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