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DETROIT— Police are investigating the murders of **three** men found **shot** to death this morning in a home in the 18500 block of Prairie near Seven Mile **on** the city's **northwest side** , police said.

The bodies were found after police received a call at around 10:30 a.m. reporting that a "person was down" near Seven Mile and Prairie. A citizen flagged officers down at the scene and said there had been trouble at the house.

Inside the home, police found the bodies of a 24-year-old male, a 20-year-old male and another man, whose age and identity have not yet been determined, said Officer Leon Rahmaan of the Detroit Police Department's public information office.

Each victim had multiple gun **shot** wounds. One was found in the basement and two were found in the home's dining room.

Family members of the victims hugged and tears flowed as police investigators went in and out of the home where the bodies were found.

Jonathon Paul, of Royal Oak, is a cousin of one of the victims.

He said he got a call from relatives to come to the scene.

"All I can do is pray," said Paul.

Yellow tape was put up a four-house area of both **sides** of the street. Neighbors stood quietly by as investigators from the Wayne County Medical Examiners' Office backed up a maroon-colored van close to the brick bungalow to bring the bodies out. Highly-emotional outbursts followed as the bodies of the **three** young men were brought out.

A woman from the group of family members screamed at the crowd of onlookers gathered to witness the grisly scene.

"I know you dirty dogs are out here. You animals!" shouted the woman. "I hope you're happy with whatever you got out of the house."

Another family member, Kandice Allman of Detroit, said one of the presumed victims is her cousin, Ivan, who lived **on** Wisconsin Street. She said he was visiting his friend at the house where the bodies were found.

She said her cousin was a good guy and was never in any trouble.

She pleaded for the public's help to find the killers of the men.

"If someone saw anything please call police," she pleaded.

The chaotic scene was being captured **on** the popular cable crime television show "The First 48 Hours." The show's crews routinely come to Detroit to film how the city's police department solves homicide cases.

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