

WOUNDED IN AMBUSH, OFFICER IS UPGRADED TO GOOD CONDITION

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Christmas came early for the family of wounded Detroit Police Officer Lloyd Todd as doctors upgraded him to good condition Wednesday, the first time Todd's prognosis has improved significantly since the Dec. 5 ambush that killed a fellow officer.

A spokeswoman at St. John Hospital in Detroit said Todd was removed from the critical list. She refused to provide any more details.

Todd, 34, was shot near his right eye when kidnapping suspects he helped pursue opened fire on police with an assault rifle. Officer Shawn Bandy, 23, died the following day from wounds in the attack.

Todd suffered blindness in his right eye and damage to areas around the path of the bullet, doctors have said.

Relatives and doctors could not be reached Wednesday night, but Todd's recovery boosted spirits at St. John, the spokeswoman said.

Detroiters James Langford, 24, **Montez Moore**, 26, Thomas Culbreth, 20, D'Andre Coffee, 25, and Eugene Childrey, 18, have been charged with Bandy's murder and the assault on Todd and another officer, who sustained minor injuries.

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