

Sleeping girl, 8 , killed in shooting

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DETROIT -- An **8**-year-old **girl** was **killed in** her sleep early Wednesday morning when a gunman -- reportedly angry about a debt owed him -- fired a volley of bullets from an assault rifle into a home on the northeast side, police said.

The man who owed the gunman money was not **in** the house, Homicide Sgt. JoAnn Kinney said. "The young **girl** was not the intended target, but the house apparently was," she said.

Brinna Caddell was shot **in** the chest and arm about 1:30 a.m. **in** her home **in** the 19700 block of Cardoni, between East State Fair and Seven Mile.

She is the third little **girl** to be **killed in** similar **shootings in** Detroit **in** two months.

Witnesses reported seeing two men **in** a car double-parked **in** front of the home just before the **shooting**. Then the passenger got out, armed with an AK-47 assault rifle, witnesses said.

Inside the single-family home, Brinna Caddell was **sleeping in** a downstairs bedroom while her mother, Pam Martin, 33, and her three other children, Nat Martin, 10, Jamillah Martin, 13, and Keith Caddell, 15, were **sleeping** upstairs. They were not injured.

Witnesses said the gunman stood on the sidewalk and fired about 30 bullets into the home, shattering windows and riddling doors and walls.

The gunman was apparently after Pam Martin's boyfriend, Marvin Petty, 35, who was arrested last week for driving without a license and is currently **in** the Wayne County Jail, detectives said.

Petty reportedly owed money to the gunman, police said. When the gunman saw Petty's van **in** the driveway, he apparently thought Petty was inside the house.

Two men are being questioned **in** the **shooting**, but no arrests have been made.

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