15-YEAR-OLD SHOT TO DEATH

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A 15-year-old Detroit boy was shot to death Monday night and a bystander was wounded as the teen stood with two friends on a Detroit streetcorner, police said.

Will Adams was shot in the head on the corner of Warrington and Pickford in the University District.

He was at least the 15th youth age 16 or under slain by gunfire in the city this year.

Witnesses told police that two teenage boys ran up to the trio and shouted "P.A." before shooting Adams several times in the head. Then they ran.

Adams died during surgery at Grace Hospital shortly after 10 p.m.

"P.A." refers to a youth gang calling itself Puritan Avenue, police said.

A stray bullet also struck a bystander, whom police identified as Evella Eiland, 50, of Detroit. Eiland, who was coming out of a meeting at nearby Hampton Middle School, was struck in the arm and was in stable condition at Grace Hospital.

Police early today were combing the neighborhood for a teen believed responsible.

They called the shooting apparently **gang** -related but said they're uncertain what the motive may have been.

According to a Free Press tally of police records, Adams is one of at least 197 youths age 16 or under shot in the city this year. Of those 15 were slain.

Anyone with information is asked to call police at 596-2260 anytime.

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* An Aug. 31 Local News article about the shooting death of a 15-year-old Detroiter incorrectly identified a bystander wounded in the incident. Mozella Eiland, 51, of Detroit was struck as she took as she took an afternoon walk on Warrington.

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