

SHOTS LEAVE DETROITER DEAD ON THE SIDEWALK - POLICE SEEK MOTIVE AND SUSPECTS IN MIDTOWN

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A weekend of fatal teen shootings in Detroit spilled over to Monday as a 19-year-old was killed in the Cass Corridor.

Detroit police said Billy Wright of Detroit was shot and killed about 6 a.m. in the 600 block of Alexandrine, near 3rd Street. Homicide investigators searched for suspects and a motive.

Witnesses told police they heard gunshots and found Wright lying on the sidewalk dead.

Inspector Craig Schwartz of the homicide unit said police are looking into whether the shooting is drug-related.

"That's certainly a possibility," he said. "At this point, we're trying to find out as much as we can about the situation."

Rell Logan, 15, died Saturday and Joseph Barker, 18, died Sunday from gunshot wounds they received in separate shootings elsewhere in Detroit.

Kenneth Davies, a lawyer and cochair of the Midtown Alliance, said the shooting Monday occurred about two blocks from 70 West Apartments on West Alexandrine and 71 W. Willis, two apartment buildings known for drugs and prostitution.

"It's disconcerting when I hear about shootings like this," said Davies, a resident of the area for 44 years.

Davies is pushing for the renovation of the Midtown neighborhood near Wayne State University and is trying to attract middle-income residents to move into the city.

"It's not easy," he said Monday. "My wife moved here from Grosse Ile and she still doesn't like to walk around at night."

Anyone with information on the shooting is asked to call the Detroit Police homicide unit at 313-596-2260.

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