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	<p>TACOMA /PIERCE COUNTY REGIONAL INTELLIGENCE UNIT</p> <p>WEEKLY SUMMARY</p> <p>19-2023 Friday, May 12, 2023</p>	
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Scammers using artificial intelligence (AI) to enhance family-emergency schemes

You get a call. There's a panicked voice on the line. It's your son. He says he's in deep trouble — he wrecked the car and landed in jail. But you can help by sending money. You take a deep breath and think. You've heard about these scams. But darn, it sounds just like him. How could it be a scam? Voice cloning, that's how.

Artificial intelligence is no longer a far-fetched idea out of a sci-fi movie. We're living with it, here and now. A scammer could use AI to clone the voice of your loved one. All he needs is a short audio clip of your family member's

voice — which he could get from content posted online — and a voice-cloning program. When the scammer calls you, he'll sound just like your loved one.

So how can you tell if a family member is in trouble or if it's a scammer using a cloned voice?

Don't trust the voice. Call the person who supposedly contacted you and verify the story. Use a phone number you know is theirs. If you can't reach your loved one, try to get in touch with them through another family member or their friends.

Scammers ask you to pay or send money in ways that make it hard to get your money back. If the caller says to wire money, send cryptocurrency, or buy gift cards and give them the card numbers and PINs, those could be signs of a scam.

If you spot a scam, report it to the FTC at [ReportFraud.ftc.gov](https://www.ftc.gov/report-fraud).

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Want to stay up to date on the latest scams? Check out the FTC's consumer alerts: <https://consumer.ftc.gov/consumer-alerts>

**We encourage you to share this information with family members or friends. Source: Pierce County Sheriff's Department

Situational Awareness Alert - Washington LE Call Centers Continue Receiving Active Shooter Threatening Phone Calls Directed at High Schools



(U//LES) The Washington State Fusion Center (WSFC) continues to receive reports swatting phone calls coming into non-emergency law enforcement call centers and Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) throughout Washington State. The caller states they are outside the school with an automatic rifle and threatens to shoot everyone they see. A similar caller ID using the same 810-prefix is being used today and appears to be associated with a Canadia VOIP service. The caller ID observed yesterday came from 810-666-0947 and the caller, with a deep male voice, states "I just moved to [jurisdiction] and everyone is treating me badly." The caller also states they will shoot as many cops as possible and is working with Satan. In most calls, the caller identifies as 'Wayne' and concludes the call with the sound of automatic gunshots.

(U//LES) Local and regional law enforcement is aware of these calls and currently coordinating and sharing information as it becomes available. If your jurisdiction experiences similar calls, please contact the WSFC at intake@wsfc.wa.gov with the time of call, the school being threatened, and any additional information such as a recording.

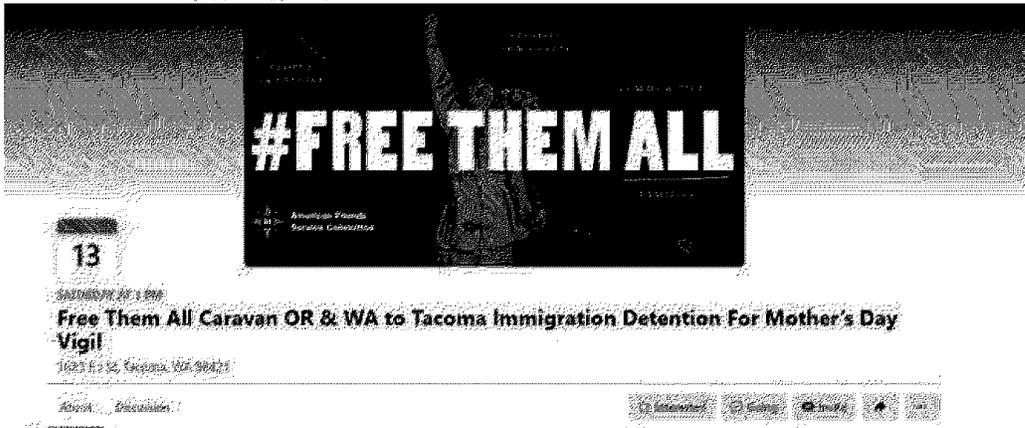
Free Them All Caravan OR & WA to Tacoma Immigration Detention

What: Day of action on Mother's Day weekend to demand the closing of the Tacoma Northwest Detention Center and stop deportations

Who: A coalition of immigrant justice advocates organized as Free Them All from Oregon and Washington State.

When: May 13, 1:00 PM-3PM plus live stream from social media pages of leading organizations

Where: 1623 E J St, Tacoma, WA 98421



Source;

https://www.facebook.com/events/644352271038998?context=%7B%22event_action_history%22%3A%7B%22surface%22%3A%22page%22%7D%7D

For Mother's Day Vigil

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Portland, OR- Dozens of people will drive forming a caravan from different cities in Oregon to Tacoma WA on May 13 to join the call to end all detentions during the Mother's Day weekend. There will be a vigil led by Adelante Mujeres, American Friends Service Committee (AFSC), Immigrant Mutual Aid Coalition (IMAC), The Interfaith Movement for Immigrant Justice (IMIRJ), La Resistencia, Latinos Unidos Siempre (LUS), Linn Benton Rapid Response Team, PCC DREAMers Resource Center, and the Portland Immigrant Rights Coalition (PIRC).

The groups and their supporters will gather as part of a Day of Action to demand that the Biden Administration and Department of Homeland Security Secretary Mayorkas:

- Shut down migrant detention centers and stop detention expansion.
- Stop all deportations and deportation flights taking off from King County Airport in Seattle, and southern border Title 8 expulsions.
- Cut the budgets of Immigration and Customs Enforcement and Customs and Border Protection.
- Reinvest the money in building safe and healthy communities.

Posting Message: *"This action in Tacoma, WA is part of a series of Mother's Day protests and events taking place across the country to demand that people be released from prisons, jails, immigration and juvenile detention centers, and digital surveillance. The events will highlight the strength and resilience of mothers and caregivers forced to parent their children across walls—mothers in immigration detention who are separated from their children, mothers whose loved ones are in jail, and the incredible labor of all the mothers and caregivers who are leaders in the struggle for a more just world. Groups will share about the need for investments in their communities instead of policing, borders, and cages. The event will be live streamed via the leading organizations' social media platforms."*

Analyst Comment Currently this event is assessed as a peaceful protest. The numbers attending could go over 100 (+) depending on the numbers that come up from Portland or other cities in Washington State. . Historically events like this, there have been approximately 10 cars and 25 protestors, however, now that the weather is warmer and drier the numbers will increase. Also, with the current issues of large migration over the Southern Border and the ending of Title 42 ending this week, this could motivate more to attend.

Pierce County Search and Rescue Team Faces Setback Due to Burglary



The Pierce County Explorer Search and Rescue team, a volunteer-led organization, experienced a significant setback after being burglarized just ahead of their busy season. The team discovered the theft and damages on Monday morning, 8 May, as they were preparing for an anticipated influx of people hitting the trails this weekend. As warmer weather approaches, the team is gearing up for their busiest season yet. Thieves targeted the team's mobile operations vehicles, breaking locks and stealing crucial equipment such as cords, cables, and rescue ropes. One of the vehicles is no longer waterproof due to the damage, while the driver-side door of another vehicle is now inaccessible. The burglars also breached the team's storage area by cutting through a fence, damaging locks to enter the cab of a vehicle, and siphoning gas out of their transport van.

Fortunately, major equipment such as radios and GPS devices were not stolen. The loss of generator cables, however, has rendered the team's computer, TV, and tracking equipment unusable. The Pierce County Explorer Search and Rescue team, which has been on thousands of missions since its inception in 1958, relies entirely on donations to fund their operations.

As a result of the burglary, the team now has to divert funds initially set aside for purchasing new radios and rigs to cover repair costs. Despite the setback, the team remains able to respond to calls as more people are expected to venture outdoors during the upcoming warm weather. The burglars have not yet been caught, and the estimated damage is worth around \$1,000. Anyone interested in helping or volunteering with the Pierce County Explorer Search and Rescue team can visit their website for more information. <https://www.newsbreak.com/pierce-county-wa/3023238834822-pierce-county-search-and-rescue-team-faces-setback-due-to-burglary>

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OFFICER SAFETY

	<h1>Special Bulletin</h1> <h2>TACOMA POLICE DEPARTMENT</h2> <p>Bulletin Number: S23-065</p> <p>May 5, 2023</p>	
Detective Patrick Brame #272 Tacoma Police Department Special Victims Unit	Office – 253-591-5941 Cell – 253-405-5527 Email – Pbrame@cityoftacoma.org	

Probable cause to arrest DV assault suspect

TPD case # 23-096-02467, 23-058-02373, 23-120-00106, 23-068-01227, 23-079-02223, 23-076-02674, 23-099-01438 and 23-074-02052

AN UPDATE; There is now an arrest warrant in the system for Everett.



Probable cause to arrest **JAMES ARTHUR EVERETT** (DOB 1974) for 1 count Assault 1st degree (DV), 4 counts Assault 2nd degree (DV), 2 counts Burglary 1st degree (DV), 2 counts Felony Harassment (DV), 2 counts Harassment (DV) and 1 count of Stalking (DV). Everett has been charged with the above listed charges. Everett is homeless but is known to stay in the area of South 17th and G Street. Victim stated that during the latest assault, EVERETT was armed with a handgun. If located, please book on listed charges. A charging sheet will be at the desk at TPD OPS along with a probable cause statement.

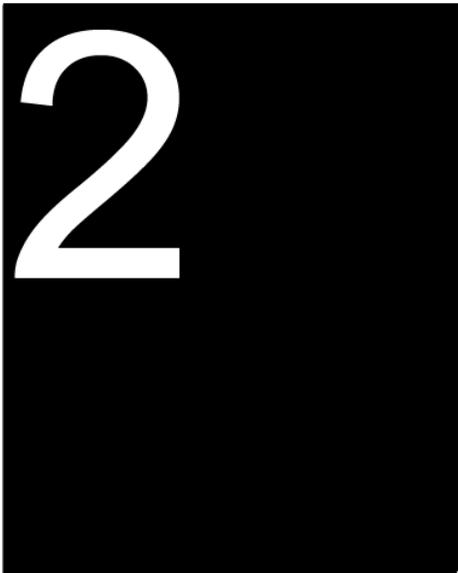
Everett should be considered armed and dangerous.

Please email Det. Brame at Pbrame@cityoftacoma.org if Everett is arrested. (Desk) 253-591-5941, (Cell) 253-405-5527

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	<h1>Special Bulletin</h1> <h2>TACOMA POLICE DEPARTMENT</h2>	
Bulletin Number: S23-069A		May 12 th , 2023
Det. Josh White #129 Tacoma Police Department Criminal Investigations Division		Office: (253) 591-5656 Cell: (253) 732-8345 Email: jwhite@cityoftacoma.org

ARREST WARRANT– Assault 1st (DV), Assault 2nd (DV)x2, Felony Harassment, Unlawful Imprisonment, Interfering w/ 911 and VNCO
 TPD Case #22-09800858



BRANCH, JASIRI E
 5-09 150 pounds
 DOB: 07/27/1996
 Possible Address-5416 S M St #11 (Mom's)/1801 S 84th ST #J1 (Brother) (Neither Address is Police Friendly)

Was driving a white newer Dodge Charger-No Plates-Unconfirmed Report the vehicle was crashed.

Caution High Violent/Possibly Armed Offender DOC Warrant- History of resisting, gun possession and Crip Gang Affiliation ***

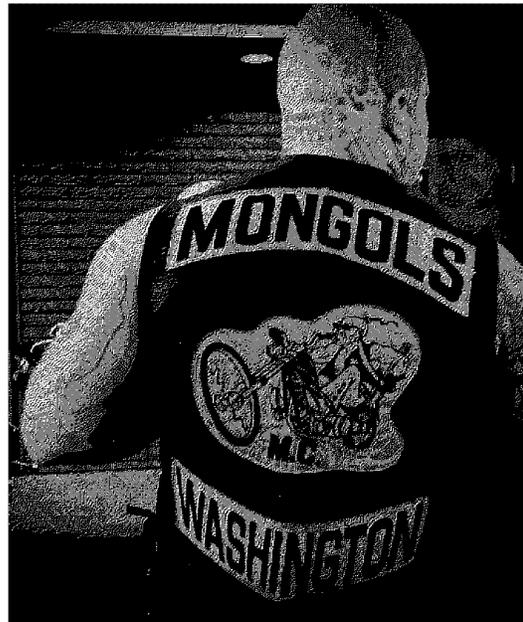
There is a Pierce County Superior Court Warrant in the system for the arrest of Jasiri Branch for the above crimes.
 CONFIRM ALL WARRANTS If Branch is arrested, please book into the Pierce County Jail and notify Det. White.

The vehicle is NOT needed.

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GANG EVENT – OFFICER SAFETY



Reminder:

Information: Information has been received that the **Mongols Outlaw Motorcycle Gang (OMG)** will be holding an event planned for **May 12- 14** at an undisclosed location in the **Seattle/Tacoma**, Washington area. The **Mongols OMG** is considered to be one of the most violent in the nation and are at war with the **Hells Angels** and **Bandidos** OMGs. The **Mongols** have been growing in Washington state and have a Seattle chapter a reopened Spokane chapter and new chapter in Tacoma. The Seattle/Tacoma area is the location of six (6) **Bandido** chapters and one (1) **Hells Angel** chapter. Because of recent violence and tension between the **Mongols** and the **Bandidos** and **Hells Angels** you should expect the **Mongols** to be armed with both legal and illegal weapons. Typical **Mongols** events have drawn 60 – 100 participants and the **Mongols** often use the show of force to attempt to instigate confrontations with their rivals and to intimidate the public.

Weapons: The **Mongols** will often be armed with a variety of legal and illegal weapons such as firearms, with or without concealed pistol licenses, and will frequently wear and display a variety of edged weapons and daggers, with the intent to intimidate and to use against their rivals.

Please consider SMC 12A.14.080 Unlawful use of Weapons for incidents in which suspects carry a fixed blade knife or a knife with a blade measuring more than 3 ½ inches in length.



Prepared by: Detective Robert Belshay #6460, SPD Investigative Support Unit
Phone: 206-255-823. Email: robert.belshay@seattle.gov. For more info see OMG Event-Officer Safety Bulletin distributed on 10 May.

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	<h1>Special Bulletin</h1> <h2>TACOMA POLICE DEPARTMENT</h2>	
Bulletin Number: S23-070		May 12 th , 2023
Det. Jared Williams #028 Tacoma Police Department Criminal Investigations Division		Office: (253) 591-5474 Cell: (253) 732-8552 Email: jwilliams2@cityoftacoma.org

**ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY – ARMED ROBBERY
 TPD #2312902356**



On 05/09/23 the two pictured subjects along with a black female teen and two other black male teens stole several cases of beer from Bartell Drugs at 6th & Union in Tacoma. The white male suspect brandished a handgun at employees when they attempted to stop the theft. The suspects fled in a stolen Kia Sportage which has already been recovered. If you can identify these suspects please contact Det. Williams at the information listed above.

There is no PC for anyone's arrest at this time.

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OFFICER AWARENESS

FBI Releases 2022 Statistics on Law Enforcement Officers Killed in the Line of Duty



According to statistics reported to the FBI by March 1, 2023, 118 law enforcement officers were killed in line-of-duty incidents in 2022. Of these, 60 officers died as a result of felonious acts, and 58 officers died in accidents. Comprehensive data tables about these incidents and brief narratives describing the fatal attacks were released on May 8 in the Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted (LEOKA) portion of the FBI's Law Enforcement Data Explorer (a subset of the Crime Data Explorer).

Felonious Deaths

Sixty officers were feloniously killed in 2022, a decrease of 17.8% when compared to the 73 officers who were killed as a result of criminal acts in 2021. The 60 felonious deaths occurred in 28 states and the District of Columbia. The five- and 10-year comparisons show an increase of three felonious deaths when compared with the 2018 figure (57 officers) and an increase of 33 deaths when compared with 2013 data (27 officers).

Officer Profiles. The average age of the officers who were feloniously killed was 39 years old. The victim officers had served in law enforcement for an average of seven years at the time of the fatal incidents.

Circumstances Encountered by Victim Officer Upon Arrival at Scene of Incident. Of the 60 officers feloniously killed:

- Six officers were killed in unprovoked attacks.
- 12 officers died as a result of investigative/enforcement activities.
- 12 officers were ambushed (entrapment/premeditation).
- Four officers encountered/assisted an emotionally disturbed person.
- Four officers were involved in pursuits.
- Six officers responded to disorders/disturbances.
- Six officers were involved in tactical situations.
- One officer was involved in arrest situation.
- Three officers responded to crimes in progress.
- Three officers were assisting other law enforcement officers.
- Two were serving/attempting to serve a court order (eviction notice, subpoena, etc.).
- One officer was providing/deploying equipment (flares, traffic cones, etc.).

Weapons. Offenders used firearms to kill 49 of the 60 victim officers. Three officers were killed with vehicles used as weapons. Eight officers were killed by the offender's use of personal weapons (hand, fists, feet, etc.).

Suspects. Law enforcement agencies identified 51 alleged assailants in connection with the felonious line-of-duty deaths.

- 10 of the assailants had prior criminal arrests.
- Two of the offenders were under judicial supervision at the times of the felonious incidents.

Accidental Deaths

Fifty-eight law enforcement officers were killed accidentally while performing their duties in 2022, an increase of 2 when compared with the 56 officers accidentally killed in 2021. The majority (35 officers) were killed in motor vehicle crashes.

Officer Profile. The average age of officers who were accidentally killed was 39 years old; the average number of years the victim officers had served in law enforcement was 11.

Circumstances. The 58 officers accidentally killed died in a variety of scenarios:

- 35 died as a result of motor vehicle crashes.
- 13 were pedestrian officers struck by vehicles.
- Six officers were in an aircraft crash.
- Two officers were killed in a fall.

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Two died as a result of a firearm-related incident.

Use of seatbelts. Of the 31 officers killed in motor vehicle crashes (not including ATVs and motorcycles), six were wearing seatbelts. Data about seatbelt usage was not reported for 25 of the officers.

Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted, Part I, 2022.

Release schedule. The May 5 release provides three categories of data. These categories include data and statistics concerning officers feloniously and accidentally killed, and statistics about federal officers killed and/or assaulted. The remaining portions of the information, which present data reported to the FBI concerning law enforcement officers assaulted in the line of duty in 2022, will be released in the fall.

LEOKA 2022 data is available exclusively on the FBI's Law Enforcement Data Explorer (a subset of the Crime Data Explorer). Resources; LEOKA

CYBER THREATS

Cyberattacks on health care are increasing. Inside one hospital's fight to recover



NPR reports it was October 2021 and the staff at Johnson Memorial Health were hoping they could finally catch their breaths. They were just coming out of a weeks-long surge of COVID hospitalizations and deaths, fueled by the Delta variant. But on Friday, October 1, at 3 a.m., the hospital CEO's phone rang with an urgent call. "I remember like it was yesterday," says Dr. David Dunkle, CEO of the health system based in Franklin, Indiana. "My chief of nursing said, 'Well, it looks like we got hacked.'" The information technology team at Johnson

Memorial discovered a ransomware group had infiltrated the health system's networks.

The hackers left a ransom note on every server, demanding the hospital pay \$3 million in Bitcoin in the next few days. The note was signed by the "Hive," a prominent ransomware group that has targeted more than 1,500 hospitals, school districts and financial firms in over 80 countries, according to the U.S. Department of Justice. Johnson Memorial was just one victim in a rising wave of cyberattacks on hospitals across the country. One study found that cyberattacks on U.S. health care facilities more than doubled between 2016 and 2022. In the aftermath, the focus frequently falls on the risk of confidential patient information being exposed, but these attacks can also leave hospitals hemorrhaging millions of dollars in the months that follow, and also cause disruptions to patient care, potentially putting lives at stake. In Indiana alone, 27 hospitals were hit by cyberattacks between 2010 and 2023, according to data provided by the Indiana Hospital Association. Source; NPR For more click-on this link: <https://www.npr.org/sections/health-shots/2023/05/08/1172569347/cyberattacks-on-health-care-are-increasing-inside-one-hospitals-fight-to-recover>

PUBLIC SAFETY



One way to prevent gun violence? Treat it as a public health issue

Dr. Deborah Prothrow-Stith was working in an emergency room as a medical student more than four decades ago when she realized that victims of violence were getting treated and then released — unlike other patients — without any sort of preventative care. "And one night, at 3:00 in the morning, a young man just very specifically said to me that he was going to go out and cut the guy who cut him," she says. "I thought, this is not adequate. My response is not adequate. My profession's response is not adequate."

Prothrow-Stith has played a key role in defining youth violence as a public health issue in the years since (her 1991 book

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Deadly Consequences is considered a classic in the field). That means focusing on prevention efforts — not only in emergency rooms, but in doctor's offices and schools, too. And guns are increasingly a part of that conversation.

Prothrow-Stith, who is dean and professor of medicine at the Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science in Los Angeles, remembers that when she first started out, stabbings were "the number-one way that young men were killed" in Philadelphia. The picture of violence changed dramatically in a matter of years. "Guns in America play a huge role, especially as we start looking at weapons of war being available and the mass shootings that are taking place," Prothrow-Stith tells Morning Edition's Michel Martin.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recorded 48,830 U.S. firearm deaths in 2021, the last year for which complete data is available. Those include suicides — which have long accounted for the majority of U.S. gun deaths — as well as homicides.

Culturally, suicide is more common in white America and homicide more common in Black America, Prothrow-Stith notes. But she stresses that violence in general is a learned behavior. "We don't come out of the womb ready to commit suicide or homicide," she adds. "And I think as a culture, [we need an] understanding that children who are hurt, hurt others or hurt themselves. And our job is not to give them a gun, but our job is to figure out how to help them heal."

The role of guns in America, as told by a doctor

Prothrow-Stith says it's clear that guns turn "an everyday emotional situation" into fatal encounters. "We know that sometimes people act differently when they have a gun in a situation, feeling invincible or escalating a situation that they might otherwise de-escalate," she added. And at least when it comes to teenagers, she says, there are some similarities in the contributing factors that can lead to homicide and suicide.

Most homicides are the result of arguments between people who know each other, whether family members, friends or romantic partners, she says. "I remember some youth workers saying, 'Well, it doesn't surprise me that he killed somebody because he didn't care anything about himself, so why would he care anything about anybody else?'" Prothrow-Stith says. "If you think about that, not caring anything about yourself is a symptom of depression. It's a symptom of a clinical illness and should be explored that way."

What preventing gun violence could look like

How would prevention work from a public health perspective? Prothrow-Stith uses the analogy of cigarette smoking and lung cancer.

First, there's primary prevention, which involves informing the general public of the consequences of smoking. The second phase is helping smokers quit, and the third is treatment for those who have lung cancer. When it comes to gun violence, Prothrow-Stith says the primary phase should be raising awareness and trying to increase safety.

The secondary phase is about understanding the risk factors. "How do we help children who are hurt, either because they're victims of violence or they're witnessing violence, especially domestic violence or gang violence, on a regular basis?" she asks. "How do we help them heal from the anger, the guilt, the pain, but also give them the strategies to move forward?"

Programs like "Big Brothers Big Sisters" are a great example of a secondary intervention because they give kids distractions, purpose and opportunities. Don't underestimate the power of staying busy, Prothrow-Stith adds.

She shares the story of a high school student who, when asked how he stayed out of trouble, said he played football even though he didn't especially like it. Sports gave him an excuse to stay late and bail out of late-night social events as needed. "He had developed his own strategies for dealing with the peer pressure," she says. "Those are the things that are very, very important for kids 'in the thick', if you will."

Focus on what works: an assault weapons ban

Many people are used to thinking about guns as a political issue rather than a public health issue. But Prothrow-Stith says a more productive way to talk about it would be to start where the U.S. has seen success in the past: in banning assault weapons from 1994 to 2004.

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Studies have shown a decrease in gun massacre deaths during the decade the federal ban was in place — and an increase after it expired, which Prothrow-Stith attributes to the gun industry strategically "flood[ing] the market" with assault weapons.

There are many more deaths in mass shootings when high-powered assault weapons are available, she adds. "They are like the movies and the sequel where more people get killed in the sequel than in the first movie with these assault weapons, weapons of war," she says. "We are seeing more and more people killed with each episode." Practically speaking, guns are here to stay in the U.S., Prothrow-Stith says. "But we don't need assault weapons," she adds. "And I think we just zero in on that argument. And I think that's a matter of time."

Back to the cigarette analogy. Prothrow-Stith remembers that smoking was ubiquitous and glamorous when she was a kid, and that it took roughly half a century after the first report on its health effects for the public understanding to follow. She is confident that the U.S. will have the same transformation with guns. "It is time again to treat this epidemic, reduce our rates and stay with it," she says. "We've done it before. We can do it again ... just make our children safer." Source: NPR

NATIONAL

(U) Texas: Mass Shooting at Outlet Mall in Allen, Texas Leaves Eight Dead; Suspect Deceased

(U) According to a Joint Regional Intelligence Center (JRIC) Notification dated 08 MAY 23, on 06 MAY 23, USPER Mauricio Garcia, 33, stepped out of a silver sedan and opened fire on shoppers at the USBUS Allen Premium Outlets in Allen, Texas, killing eight and wounding seven. Three injured people remain in critical condition and four are in stable condition.



(U) Image from (L) to (R) of tactical vest and USPER Mauricio Garcia

(U) An Allen Police Department officer handling an unrelated call at the mall responded to the sound of gunfire, followed the sound, and fatally shot the suspect.

(U) The suspect wore a tactical vest and was armed with an AR-15 and a handgun. In addition, investigators found several handguns, long guns, and ammunition inside his vehicle at the scene. Authorities have not released a motive or additional details leading up to the shooting incident.

(U) From 2016-2020, the suspect worked as a private security guard for at least three security companies, which provided him with firearms training as part of the security guard licensure process. He also served briefly in the US Army in 2008 but was removed during basic training due to mental health concerns.

(U) Possible Motive and Social Media Postings

(U//FOUO) While a motive for the 06 MAY 23 shooting has not been confirmed, social media accounts possibly associated to the suspect reveal postings utilizing lexicon and images associated with Incel Violent Extremist and Racially or Ethnically Motivated Violent Extremist – White Supremacist (RMVE-WS) rhetoric.

(U//FOUO) Additionally, the shooter's tactical vest displayed a patch with the "RWDS" (right wing death squad) acronym imposed on a Nazi SS divisional shield, frequently used by RMVE-WS adherents as well as other Anti-Government or Anti-Authority Violent Extremist adherents.

(U//FOUO) The suspect also reportedly posted images of firearms, tactical gear, bullets, knives, and shooting range targets.

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(U) Active Shooter Indicators

(U) Active shooters pre-plan their attacks and select crowded locations to maximize the number of casualties.

(U//FOUO) Active shooter incidents in locations with few ingress and egress areas, high occupancy, and few security measures result in the highest number of casualties.

(U//FOUO) Indicators of prior shooting incidents include:

- (U//FOUO) Overt airing of grievances and increasing advocacy of violence,
- (U//FOUO) History of mental instability and/or elevated stress due to a significant event (employment/marital/family problems); and
- (U//FOUO) Signs of deep-rooted alienation or attraction to radical agendas. (JRIC, Notification, Reference Number: 54dd-4a85-ae88-405e8e24ecab, 08 MAY 23) Source: Army Threat Integration Center (ARTIC)

The Texas mall shooter ranted against Jews, women and racial minorities on apparent social media page. Reports of a social media page appearing to belong to a gunman who killed eight people at a Dallas-area outlet mall had shared extremist beliefs with rants against Jews, women and racial minorities posted since September, as well as posts about struggling with mental health. Mauricio Garcia, 33, maintained a profile on the Russian social networking platform OK.ru, including posts referring to extremist online forums, such as 4chan, and content from white nationalists, including Nick Fuentes, an antisemitic white nationalist provocateur. In the weeks before the attack, Garcia posted more than two dozen photos of Allen Premium Outlets, where an officer killed him after the shooting Saturday, and surrounding areas, including several screenshots of Google location information, seemingly monitoring the mall at its busiest times. Many of his posts referred to his mental health. In his final post, he lamented what his family might say and wrote that no psychologist would have been able to fix him. In another post, he made disturbing comments about what makes a mass shooting "important" and praised a person who opened fire at a private Christian school in Nashville, Tennessee, this year, killing six people, including three children.

Analyst Note The gunman in the Texas mall shooting had eight legally obtained weapons – three on him, five in his vehicle. The attack comes less than a year after a gunman opened fire at a mall in Greenwood, Indiana, killing three people and injuring two others. A few months before that, last April, a shooter at a mall in Columbia, South Carolina, injured 14 people. Shopping malls offer a vulnerable target for mass shooters and a near-impossible task for security, since droves of people often converge through multiple entry points with easy access. Moreover, efforts to better secure malls with metal detectors or additional security guards risk pushback from developers and stores forced to bear added costs as well as customers faced with the inconvenience of airport-style lines and armed surveillance, they added. Retail locations make up the second-most common site of mass shootings, accounting for nearly 17% of mass shootings recorded between 1966 and 2021, according to a previous analysis of data compiled by The Violence Project. The nation's roughly 700 malls are part of a category referred to as "soft targets," which includes religious institutions, restaurants and other locations. Sources: DHS & ABC News

Key Information Going Forward:

"Moving into summer events, whether at informal crowded places like parks and malls or structured festivities such as concerts or farmer's markets, many will be recalling the Fourth of July parade mass shooting last year in Highland Park — where the shooter fired from a store rooftop in order to bypass security presence on the ground, used the elevated position to target victims, and slipped away with the chaotic crowd before his apprehension eight hours later — and wondering what precautions are necessary to keep people safer. Unfortunately, actors with ill intent may simultaneously be thinking about how to emulate such an attack in their own areas. This makes a multilayered security approach all the more essential: identifying potential bad actors in the planning stages along with their attempts to acquire weapons, ensuring that risk assessment of a venue, or event includes factors such as places that by nature have a lack of access control or other "soft" spots, incorporating a range of potential threats in planning from active shooters and explosives to chemical or biological threats, fostering relationships with law enforcement agencies and taking advantage of

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preparedness grants or training programs, and through training and guidance making sure that employees and attendees are prepared for the worst.” Source; Excerpt from Homeland Security Today article

**For more detailed analysis on this shooting we recommend reading the article below on the shooters possible Tactics Techniques & Procedures that may have been a factor.

Allen Outlets Mass Shooting Illustrates High Risk for Outdoor Soft Targets

<https://www.hstoday.us/featured/allen-outlets-mass-shooting-illustrates-high-risk-for-outdoor-soft-targets/>

(U) Georgia: A Former US Coast Guard Member Conducted a Mass Shooting at an Atlanta Hospital

(U) According to open-source reporting, on 03 MAY 23, an individual identified as USPER Deion Duwane Patterson, 24, conducted a mass shooting in a waiting room located on the 11th floor of the USBUS Northside Hospital Medical Midtown facility in Atlanta, Georgia, killing one individual and injuring four others. According to reporting, after the shooting Patterson fled the scene, stole a vehicle, and drove north towards Cobb County, Georgia. According to further reporting, law enforcement received a tip surrounding Patterson’s whereabouts and were able to locate and arrest Patterson at a suburban condo complex in Cobb County. According to reporting, Patterson was on the run for approximately eight hours before being arrested by law enforcement. (Open Source, 04 MAY 23; Open Source, 04 MAY 23; Open Source, 04 MAY 23; Open Source, 05 MAY 23; Open Source, 05 MAY 23; Open Source, 05 MAY 23; Open Source, 04 MAY 23)



(U) According to open-source reporting, Patterson was seeking treatment at the USBUS Northside Hospital Medical Midtown facility after being dissatisfied with care that he received from the USBUS US Department of Veterans Affairs. Reportedly, when doctors refused to give Patterson medicine, he became angry, pulled out his handgun and began firing at individuals. (Open Source, 04 MAY 23; Open Source, 04 MAY 23; Open Source, 04 MAY 23; Open Source, 05 MAY 23; Open Source, 05 MAY 23; Open Source, 04 MAY 23)

(CUI) *ARTIC Analyst Comment:* According to open-source reporting, Patterson has been charged with murder and four counts of aggravated assault. The ARTIC notes that although a motive has not been identified, open-source reporting indicated that Patterson had been mentally unstable since he left the US Coast Guard in January 2023 and was attempting to get help at the USBUS Northside Hospital Medical Midtown facility. Reportedly, Patterson served in the US Coast Guard from 2018 and was discharged in January 2023.

However, reporting does not indicate why Patterson was discharged. According to reporting, Patterson served as an electrician’s mate second class before being discharged. (Open Source, 04 MAY 23; Open Source, 04 MAY 23; Open Source, 04 MAY 23; Open Source, 05 MAY 23; Open Source, 05 MAY 23)

(CUI) According to separate reporting, the Bureau of Labor Statistics reported that the rate of injuries from violent attacks against medical professionals grew by 63 percent from 2011 to 2018, and aggression against staff escalated as the COVID-19 pandemic intensified in 2020. Reportedly, the reasons for the aggression vary: patients’ anger and confusion about their medical conditions and care; grief over the decline of hospitalized loved ones; frustration while trying to get attention amid staffing shortages, especially in nursing; delirium and dementia; mental health disorders; political and social issues; and gender and race discrimination. (Open Source, 18 AUG 22) Source; Army Threat Integration Center (ARTIC)

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8 deaths in Allen, 1 in Atlanta, Texas/Atlanta; US sees acceleration of mass shootings & Soft Targets



Reports of the mass shooting in Allen, Texas, in which eight people died and seven were injured Saturday is the 22nd mass killing in the U.S. this year. That means 2023 could be one of the deadliest years in fatal shootings in recent history, in both number of victims and attacks. The database maintained by USA TODAY, The Associated Press, and Northeastern University tracks all mass killings in the U.S. since 2006. It includes every mass killing from all weapons in which four or more people, excluding the offender, were killed within a 24-hour time frame. The eight deaths at the Allen outdoor mall were the second-highest of such incidents in 2023.

Eleven people were killed in a shooting in a ballroom dance studio in Monterey Park, California, on Jan. 21. The data also shows that six public fatal shootings were reported in the first third of 2023. That's as many as in all of 2012. It's also greater than the total number of such shootings in 11 of the 18 years tracked by the database. USA Today [5/8/2023 4:06 PM, Grace Hauck, 4261K, Negative] reports that in a given year, the U.S. typically sees six mass shootings in a public place, and the most the country has ever witnessed was 10 in a year, according to James Alan Fox, a professor at Northeastern University who has studied mass killings for 40 years. The massacre at Premium Outlets in Allen, Texas, on Saturday already marks the sixth public mass killing of 2023 — about one third of the way through the calendar year:

Texas is one of two states in the U.S. that has seen 17 mass shootings so far this year. The other is California. There have been 22 mass killings in 2023, defined as four or more people killed, not including the perpetrator, according to the USA TODAY/Northeastern University/Associated Press Mass Killings Database. The Hill reports that this year, according to GVA's tracker, there have been 202 incidents in which four or more people — other than the attacker — were shot. In the past two years, the U.S. crossed 200 mass shootings in mid-May and, in 2020 and 2019, didn't reach 200 until mid-to-late June.

Between 2016 and 2018, the country passed 200 mass shootings in late July. The GVA tracker logged three shooting incidents Saturday, including the incident at Allen Premium Outlets in Texas, where a gunman killed eight people and injured seven others before being fatally shot by police. Sources USA Today, NE Univ, AP & the Hill

Analyst Comment The Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) initial review of the incident identified specific vulnerability factors that increased the lethality and effectiveness of the attack, such as the perpetrator's use of a nearby elevated and publicly accessible location to avoid venue security, and the lack of accessible escape routes for the large crowds. To mitigate the impacts of potential future attacks, publicly available mass gathering areas are encouraged to conduct periodic vulnerability assessments to identify potential areas of concern and develop emergency action plans for individuals to take in the event of an incident. Source: Over the Road-Bus Intelligence Awareness Daily (OTRBIAD) Report.



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PUBLIC SAFETY & SECURITY

(U//FOUO) Intensified Threats of Violence Against the LGBTQIA+ Community

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(U//FOUO) Domestic violent extremists (DVEs) and hate crime actors have intensified threats of violence against the LGBTQIA+ community during the last year, and many likely are driven by perceptions of sociopolitical issues related to this community. These issues include actions linked to drag-themed events, gender-affirming care, and LGBTQIA+ curricula in schools.

- (U//FOUO) Posts on online platforms that feature DVE content have leveraged current events to call for violence based on claims that the LGBTQIA+ community is a threat to society, particularly children. Following the March shooting at an elementary school in Nashville, Tennessee, perpetrated by a transgender person, users in an online forum called for “open season” on the LGBTQIA+ community, and one poster advocated for shooting members of the community “before they shoot us,” according to DHS open-source reporting and an organization that monitors violent extremism online.

- (U//FOUO) A broad range of threat actors have been linked to violent threats targeting the LGBTQIA+ community, including DVEs who adhere to conspiracy theories, racially or ethnically motivated violent extremists (RMVEs), and other threat actors with personalized or hate-based grievances. For example, the alleged perpetrator of an attack on an LGBTQIA+ nightclub in Colorado in 2022 ran a website that hosted violent content glorifying a prior RMVE attack, according to a detective involved in the case. Additionally, days after the Nashville attack, an individual in Maryland was arrested and is now awaiting trial for threatening an LGBTQIA+ advocacy group with violence in retaliation for the attack, stating, “[I]f you want a war, we’ll have a war.”

- (U//FOUO) We often lack reporting detailing the specific motivations of individuals seeking to target the LGBTQIA+ community, which complicates our ability to determine which actors may pose a more immediate or credible threat. According to FBI’s hate crime statistics, approximately 20 percent of all hate crimes reported nationwide in 2021 were motivated by bias related to sexual orientation or gender identity.

(U//FOUO) The range of issues inspiring threats and calls for violence against the LGBTQIA+ community likely increases the potential for attacks against a broader set of targets. In addition to upcoming Pride Month celebration events in June, individuals could seek to commit violence against targets such as public spaces and healthcare facilities that they perceive to be associated with the LGBTQIA+ community. This underscores the importance of sharing relevant threat information with this community and organizations potentially tied to LGBTQIA+ issues.

- (U//FOUO) Violence has occurred at lawful demonstrations and other public events linked to LGBTQIA+ issues, according to media reporting. In June 2022, 31 alleged members of the white supremacist group Patriot Front/USPER were arrested by local police in Idaho on conspiracy to riot charges for allegedly planning to disrupt a Pride event that they believed was intended to corrupt children, according to press reporting and a video released by the group.

- (U//FOUO) On 31 March, a RMVE was arrested and is now charged for allegedly attempting to use an improvised incendiary device to burn down a church in Ohio that was planning to host a drag-themed event. The RMVE told authorities that he wanted “to protect the children and stop the drag show event,” according to the DOJ criminal complaint.

(U//FOUO) Potential for Violence Inspired by Recent Attack in Nashville, Tennessee

(U//FOUO) High-profile attacks against schools and faith-based institutions like the recent shooting in Nashville have historically served as inspiration for individuals to conduct copycat attacks. Some social media users have celebrated the attack, according to DHS open-source reporting, and although the attacker’s motive is still under investigation, personal journals of the attacker reportedly mentioned prior mass casualty attacks, according to media reporting citing a law enforcement news release. Days after the Nashville attack, a transgender person from Elbert, Colorado, was arrested for allegedly plotting a string of attacks targeting schools and churches in Colorado. Although the motive in the Colorado case is under investigation, the arrested individual also allegedly had a manifesto that mentioned other mass casualty attackers, according to state court documents.

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INTERNATIONAL

Half of North Korean Missile Program Funded by Cyberattacks and Crypto Theft, White House Says



About half of North Korea's missile program has been funded by cyberattacks and cryptocurrency theft, a White House official said Tuesday. A sweeping US federal government effort is ongoing to understand how "a country like [North Korea] is so darn creative in this space," Anne Neuberger, deputy national security adviser for cyber and emerging technology, said at an event hosted by the nonprofit Special Competitive Studies Project. US intelligence agencies are working to identify North Korean operatives and the Treasury is tracing stolen cryptocurrency, Neuberger said, adding that the Biden administration is "putting a lot of time and thought" into the

problem. It's an estimate that suggests hacking and cybercrime are key to the North Korean regime's survival. Source: CNN, 5/10/2023

Analyst Comment A White House official stated on Tuesday that nearly half of North Korea's missile program has been funded by cybercriminal operations. The Deputy National Security Adviser for Cyber and Emerging Technology, Anne Neuberger, said at a nonprofit event that the U.S. has undertaken an effort into understanding how North Korea has been so successful in cryptocurrency theft and ransomware. In February, the United Nations (UN) shared a report with Reuters that estimated North Korean threat actors stole a record number of cryptocurrencies worth more than \$630 million. Chainalysis also released a report that noted 2022 "was the worst [year] on record for cryptocurrency heists, with hackers stealing as much as \$3.8 billion, led by attackers linked to North Korea." According to Chainalysis, October 2022 was the most detrimental month for cryptocurrency investors, during which hackers stole \$775.7 million worth of virtual assets in 32 different attacks. The UN report said that in 2022 these hackers targeted the networks of foreign aerospace and defense companies and used "increasingly sophisticated techniques to gain access to digital networks involved in cyberfinance." It is widely believed, among global intelligence, cyber, and policy professionals, that the money stolen and laundered from these attacks "is key to the North Korean regime's survival." The U.S. has aided in international investigations to try and disrupt affiliated threat actors from successfully laundering the stolen profits. In February, Norway's National Authority for Investigation and Prosecution of Economic and Environmental Crime announced that with the help of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), they were able to recover \$5.8 million dollars of virtual assets stolen from Axie Infinity's Ronin network bridge. The FBI linked the attack to the Lazarus Group, notorious for targeting critical infrastructure sectors like energy, finance, defense, aerospace, and healthcare. The U.N. report referred to the North Korean-linked threat actor as one of the main culprits for the nation's increase in hackings. Source: Surface Transportation & Public Transportation ISAC Transit & Rail Intelligence Awareness Daily Report (TRIAD)



Canadian Man Charged with Aiding Suicide

Police in Canada arrested an Ontario man last week for selling a lethal substance online to individuals at risk of self-harm. The man allegedly sold sodium nitrite (NaO2), a white, chemical substance that is commonly used in food preservation and meat curing but could potentially lead to death when ingested in sufficient quantities. Investigators said the man sent at least 1,200 packages to over 40 countries. According to FBI reporting, as of 03 May 2023, approximately 25 individuals within the New York area of responsibility were listed as purchasers of sodium nitrite-based "suicide kits." Of the 25 individuals identified, 9 were deceased and 1 was unaccounted for.

Analyst Assessment The FBI is asking responders who have information that could assist with determining the prevalence of sodium nitrite use for deaths by suicide or distribution paths and networks in the US to contact them via Tips.fbi.gov or 1-800-CALL-FBI. Also this week, a man in Burke County, NC was arrested for leaving two pipe bombs at

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a local church. The man's family made a statement that the bombs contained sugar, baking soda, stump remover (saltpeter/potassium nitrate/ KNO_3), and sodium nitrate (NaNO_3). Both sodium nitrite and sodium nitrate are white salts which may be confused at a scene. If in doubt to the significance of a found substance, call for assistance and consider having law enforcement record the scene via their body cams. Source: Watchline@fdny.nyc.gov

(U) Serbia: A Thirteen-Year-Old Conducts a Mass Shooting at an Elementary School



(U) According to open-source reporting, on the morning of 03 MAY 23, a 13-year-old boy (subject) carried out a shooting attack at Vladislav Ribnikar elementary school, a school the subject allegedly attended in Belgrade, Serbia. Reportedly, eight students, seven girls and one boy, and one security guard were killed during the attack. Additionally, six other classmates, two girls and four boys, and a teacher were injured, some critically. (Open Source, 03 MAY 23; Open Source, 03 MAY 23)

(U) According to reporting, the subject carried out the shooting using two handguns that he carried in his backpack. Upon entering the school, the subject fired first at the school security guard and then three students in a hallway. The subject then reportedly went to

a nearby classroom, close to the school entrance and fired first at the teacher and then continually at the students who hid behind desks. Many of the other students were able to flee the school through a back door. (Open Source, 03 MAY 23; Open Source, 03 MAY 23)

(U) According to additional reporting, the subject called police after the shooting to report that he had shot individuals in school. Police officials stated during the call, the subject said, "he is a psychopath who needs to calm down," adding that he "was caught by fear and panic and funny breathing, and that it was the right thing to call the police and report the event." Police reportedly were aware of the shooting having received an emergency call two minutes prior. The subject was apprehended by police without incident and placed in a psychiatric institution. (Open Source, 03 MAY 23; Open Source, 03 MAY 23)

(CUI) *ARTIC Analyst Comment:* According to reporting, authorities discovered the subject in the school's courtyard with two guns and four improvised incendiary devices described as Molotov cocktails in his jacket pockets at the time of his arrest. Reportedly, the two guns used in the shooting were legally owned by his father, a well-known radiologist, and properly secured according to strict Serbian law. The subject was known to target shoot with his father at a local shooting range and apparently knew the security codes to retrieve the locked weapons. Both the subject's mother and father were detained by police and his father arrested on suspicion of endangering public safety. (Open Source, 03 MAY 23; Open Source, 03 MAY 23)

(CUI) According to further reporting, the subject meticulously planned the attack at least one month prior. Authorities indicated the subject drew sketches of classrooms and made a list of children he intended to target. He also reportedly befriended the security guard. (Open Source, 04 MAY 23; Open Source, 03 MAY 23)

(U) According to open-source reporting, authorities have not determined a motive for the shooting. However, some reports indicate the subject wanted to be moved to another class where his friends were located and that he was upset over grades received in some coursework. According to additional reporting, the subject cannot be criminally charged because he is under the age of 14 as per state law and social services will determine what will happen with the subject. (Open Source, 04 MAY 23; Open Source, 03 MAY 23)

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The New ISIS: How a Branch of the Terrorist Group Is Becoming a Top Threat

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U.S. Domestic Terrorism Prosecutions: The Reality Behind the Government's Inflated Numbers

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Portland restores traffic division after fatal crashes rise to highest number in 30 years

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Hacker extorts \$1.1M in cyberattack on Calif. sheriff's website

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California, other states with strong 'Defund the Police' movements ranked best to be a cop, new study claims

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How AR-15-style rifles write the tragic history of America's mass shootings

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40 Arrested in Major Cargo Theft Operation Responsible for Over \$150M in Stolen Goods

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How to get the most value out of roll call during National Police Week

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WA ranked 8th best state to be police officer

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Probable cause to arrest DV assault suspect

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Millions of patients’ data confirmed stolen after Fortra mass-hack

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Largest International Operation Against Darknet Trafficking of Fentanyl and Opioids Results in Record Arrests and Seizures

NATIONAL

**CA: Metro Responds to Rising Crime with More Drug Arrests and 'Transit Ambassadors'
Railroads Warned About Dangers of Longer Trains**

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DEA Operation Last Mile Tracks Down Sinaloa and Jalisco Cartel Associates Operating within the United States

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SEATTLE — Officers with U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement's (ICE) Enforcement and Removal Operations (ERO) Seattle removed Omer Abdi Mohamed, 38, a citizen of Somalia convicted of conspiracy to provide material support to terrorists, to his home country April 28.

A grand jury indicted Mohamed for conspiracy to provide material support to terrorists; providing material support to terrorists; and conspiracy to kill, kidnap, maim and injure Nov. 19, 2009. He was convicted of that charge and sentenced to 12 years in prison and 20 years of supervision by the U.S. District Court-District of Minnesota May 29, 2013.

"The immigration court's judgement for Mohamed's removal shows those who seek to support terrorism in any form will not find safe haven or privilege in the U.S.," said ERO Seattle Field Office Director Drew H. Bostock. "ERO officers continue to keep our communities safe by using the best information available to find, and remove, public safety threats from our community."

ERO officers encountered Mohamed while he was in the Federal Bureau of Prisons' custody at the Greenville Federal Correctional Institution in Illinois Aug. 1, 2018, and placed an immigration detainer the same day. Mohamed was released from the Bureau of Prisons' custody at the Federal Detention Center in SeaTac, Washington, and taken into ERO custody Feb. 21. He was ordered removed to Somalia by an immigration judge with the Department of Justice's Executive Office of Immigration Review March 8. Mohamed was repatriated to Somalia April 28 without incident.

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In fiscal year 2022, ERO arrested 46,396 noncitizens with criminal histories. This group had 198,498 associated charges and convictions, including 21,531 assault offenses; 8,164 sex and sexual assault offenses; 5,554 weapons offenses; 1,501 homicide-related offenses; and 1,114 kidnapping offenses.

As one of ICE's three operational directorates, ERO is the principal federal law enforcement authority in charge of domestic immigration enforcement. ERO's mission is to protect the homeland through the arrest and removal of those who undermine the safety of U.S. communities and the integrity of U.S. immigration laws, and its primary areas of focus are interior enforcement operations, management of the agency's detained and non-detained populations, and repatriation of noncitizens who have received final orders of removal.

ERO's workforce consists of more than 7,700 law enforcement and non-law enforcement support personnel across 25 domestic field offices and 208 locations nationwide, 30 overseas postings, and multiple temporary duty travel assignments along the border.

Members of the public can report crimes and suspicious activity by dialing 866-347-2423 or completing the online tip form. Learn more about ICE's mission to increase public safety in your community on Twitter @EROSeattle. The Seattle area of responsibility covers Washington, Oregon and Alaska. Source: <https://www.ice.gov/news/releases/ero-seattle-removes-somali-citizen-convicted-supporting-terrorism>

OREGON TITAN FUSION CENTER
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Situational Awareness Bulletin

3 May 2023



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(U//FOUO) The Oregon TITAN Fusion Center and FBI Portland are Providing Information About "Suicide Kits" Mailed to Oregon Residents

(U) Executive Summary

(U//LES) The Oregon TITAN Fusion Center (OTFC) and FBI Portland are releasing this bulletin to advance law enforcement agencies' awareness of Oregon residents receiving "suicide kits" including sodium nitrate pills and instructions on how to commit suicide from an identified Canada-based individual. Law enforcement agencies receiving requests for welfare checks or other suicide-related investigative activities are asked to report findings to the FBI and Fusion Center and to maintain records related to any response or investigative activity.

(U) Suicide Kit Composition and Distribution

(U//LES) Canadian authorities identified a subject who mailed hundreds of suicide kits to individuals worldwide; these kits were linked to dozens of subsequent suicides. Victims contacted the subject online and received the kits via mail.

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Suicide kits included sodium nitrate pills as well as instructions on how to commit suicide. Sodium nitrate is legal, readily available to the public, and commonly used in meat curing.

(U//LES) The FBI received information from Canadian authorities identifying potential victims in the United States. FBI Portland is identifying those based in Oregon to coordinate welfare checks with appropriate law enforcement agencies.

(U) Requested Actions

(U) Agencies receiving requests for welfare checks are requested to ask victims the following questions once standard welfare check protocols are completed.

- (U) How did the victim learn of the suicide kit?
- (U) Did the victim communicate directly with anyone about how to use the kits or were instructions provided in the kit itself?
- (U) If the victim communicated with someone about the kit usage, what communication channels were used (i.e., email, phone, messaging application, online, etc.)?
- (U) How were payments for the kit made to the seller?

(U) Agencies conducting welfare checks are asked to collect suicide kits from Oregon victims and coordinate disposition by contacting the FBI and OTFC using the contact information below.

(U) Agencies conducting welfare checks are asked to maintain records of response activity, collect communications between victims and the seller of suicide kits, and maintain records related to any investigation occurring in response to these welfare checks for potential future prosecutions.

(U) If your agency is not notified of a suicide kit recipient in your area but encounters a kit during regular activities, please contact the FBI and OTFC using the contact information listed below.

(U) FBI Portland can be reached directly at (503) 224-4181.

(U) OTFC: ofc@doj.state.or.us.

Source: Titan Fusion Center & FBI

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OMG - GANG EVENT – OFFICER SAFETY



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EVENT: On May 6, 2023, at 1300 hours, the Hells Angels Motorcycle Club Seattle Chapter will be holding their yearly May Day party at Slim's Last Chance Saloon at 5606 1st Ave S, Seattle. Depending on the weather, this event has been known to attract crowds of 75-200, Hells Angels supporters and friendly motorcycle gangs such as the Bandidos, Gypsy Joker, Road Brother, Resurrection, Free Souls, Outsiders, and others.

OFFICER SAFETY: The Hells Angels Motorcycle Club is friendly with the Bandidos Motorcycle Club and both the Hells Angels and Bandidos are at war with the Mongols Motorcycle Club and Pagans Motorcycle Club, who are both friendly with each other and have formed an alliance. The Hells Angels have been fighting with the Mongols since 1977 and the Pagans since 1968. Tension and fighting between the Bandidos and Mongols and Pagans has been going on for approximately 3 years 2020.

CURRENT PICTURE:

April 30, 2022, two large groups of Pagans and Hells Angels have a standoff in front of the Hells Angels Washington Nomads clubhouse in Spokane, WA and Spokane PD intervenes before violence starts and deescalates the heated incident.

May 14, 2022, 30 -40 Hells Angels and support club members ride in and attack a group of Pagans have a motorcycle event at their clubhouse in Fall River, Massachusetts. Seven (7) Pagans are stabbed and beaten and sent to the hospital in critical condition.

July 14, 2022 – Two Pagans from the Tri Cities, WA Chapter forced a road rage incident with three members of a Bandido Support Club called Anonymous MC which became a gun battle. One Pagan was killed, and one Anonymous MC Prospect was shot.

August 28, 2022 – A group of ten to twenty Hells Angels attempted to box in two Pagans Seattle Chapter members at a gas station in Kennewick, WA. The Pagans fled and one was chased down by Hells Angels members and physically assaulted on the highway. Another Hells Angel produced a firearm and attempted to shoot the Pagans as they rode away.

In the last year, both the Mongols and Pagans have expanded in Washington State and in the Seattle area and the Mongols Motorcycle Club has a gang event planned for May 13th, 2023, in the Seattle/Tacoma area at a unknown location. Additionally, as of the last week in March 2023, members of the Mongols were observed riding through Seattle on I-5 during rush hour which has not happened since the Mongols Seattle Chapter was formed in 2019. Throughout 2022 and into 2023, the President of the Pagans Motorcycle Club Seattle Chapter has routinely ridden through the SODO District in areas known to attract Hells Angels and Bandidos as if he is trying to be confronted.



EXPECT: As they have done at past events at Slim's Last Chance, the Hells Angels will likely post armed guards on the four corners surrounding the event. They will likely be Prospective members or associates and they may be armed with a variety of legal and/or illegal weapons, such as firearms, daggers, knives, axe handles, hammers, mag-lights, whips, and brass knuckles. The Hells Angels have in the past used armed security in vehicles with no gang markings to conduct patrols and surveillance around their events. You may also encounter subjects wearing body armor.

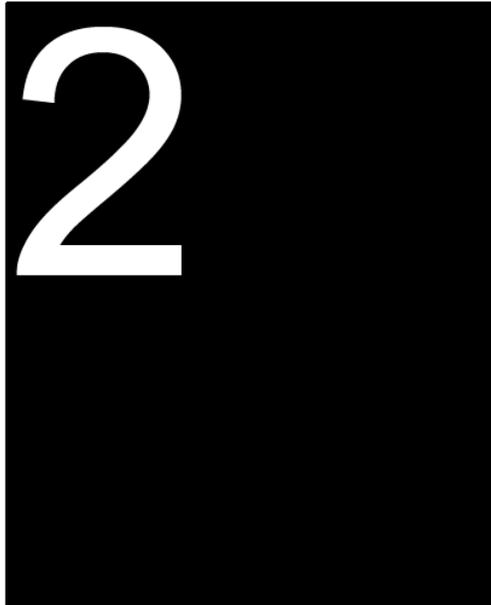
POTENTIAL ISSUES: The Mongols and Pagans are beginning to be more visible in the Seattle area and these gangs will often monitor each other's social media postings and know when and where the other is holding an event. It is possible that either the Mongols, Pagans or both could try to disrupt the Hells Angels event or to attempt to instigate a confrontation. The Mongols have also been known to send one or two members of their gang to the bars of their rivals in order to draw the rival gang to the location to confront their members at which time the Mongols have ambushed their enemies from cargo vans and other vehicles.

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	<h1>Special Bulletin</h1> <h2>TACOMA POLICE DEPARTMENT</h2> <p>Bulletin Number: S23-065</p> <p>May 5, 2023</p>	
<p>Detective Patrick Brame #272 Tacoma Police Department Special Victims Unit</p>	<p>Office – 253-591-5941 Cell – 253-405-5527 Email – Pbrame@cityoftacoma.org</p>	

Probable cause to arrest DV assault suspect

TPD case # 23-096-02467, 23-058-02373, 23-120-00106, 23-068-01227, 23-079-02223, 23-076-02674, 23-099-01438 and 23-074-02052



Probable cause to arrest **JAMES ARTHUR EVERETT** (DOB 04/01/1974) for 1 count Assault 1st degree (DV), 4 counts Assault 2nd degree (DV), 2 counts Burglary 1st degree (DV), 2 counts Felony Harassment (DV), 2 counts Harassment (DV) and 1 count of Stalking (DV). Everett has been charged with the above listed charges. Everett is homeless but is known to stay in the area of South 17th and G Street. Victim stated that during the latest assault, EVERETT was armed with a handgun. If located, please book on listed charges. A charging sheet will be at the desk at TPD OPS along with a probable cause statement.

Everett should be considered armed and dangerous.

Please email Det. Brame at Pbrame@cityoftacoma.org if Everett is arrested. (Desk) 253-591-5941, (Cell) 253-405-5527

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SPECIAL BULLETIN

PCSD CIB 23-028s

PCSD CRIMINAL INVESTIGATIONS DIVISION

May 3, 2023

OFFICER SAFETY CONCERN – ARMED SUBJECT WITH MULTIPLE LE CONTACTS

The Pierce County Sheriff's Department is advising law enforcement to use caution with regard to, Mauro Lopez Lopez (09-18-81), who recently has been contacted by law enforcement multiple times and was arrested last night for Eluding (PCSD Case #: 23-123-00031).

On 04/5/23 Mauro Lopez-Lopez, fired his gun in the air in front of his brother's house located at 244 161st St S. Deputies could not locate the firearm and he was released as a Suspect Verified for Weapon - Discharge From Vehicle or Street. (Case# 2309502470)

On 04/25/23 Mauro was also contacted by day shift where he had a "black semi-automatic handgun" on his front passenger seat" but was not actively committing a crime and refused to speak with deputies. (Case# 2311500862)
On 04/26/23 Mauro was reported for harassing employees at Good Vibes Espresso 15008 Pacific Ave S. (Case# 2311600285)

VEHICLE: Mauro is driving a dark blue Hyundai Sonata (WA-BYG0812).

There is NO PROBABLE CAUSE for Maruo, this information is for Officer Safety only.



NAME: Lopez Lopez, Mauro
DOB: 09-18-1991
PHY: 5'9" 220lbs Blk/Bro
SMT: TAT Chest - Lt: (Gabiella); TAT Side - Rt: (heart w/ cross)
LKA: Homeless but stays with brother at 244 161st St S, Spanaway, WA 98387
VEH: Dark Blue Hyundai Sonata WA- BYG0812
CHRI: Res Burg in 2014

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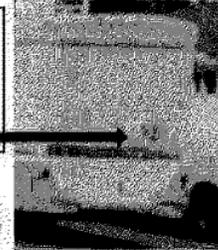
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	<h1>Special Bulletin</h1> <p>PUYALLUP POLICE DEPARTMENT</p> <p>Case Number: 2310500974</p> <p>Wednesday, May 3, 2023</p>	
Bulletin approved by Capt. J. Visnow		Prepared by Heidi Crawford (253) 770-3357 heidi.c@puyallupwa.gov

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Decal on rear of motorhome is in the shape of the United States with some individual state shapes around it – such as a bumper sticker that would indicate all the states the vehicle has traveled.



Det. Stevens has developed probable cause to arrest James R. Door, 2/4/1965 for a Residential Burglary that occurred in Puyallup on April 15, 2023. In the process of breaking in he caused extensive damage to the victim's home by using a chainsaw to cut a hole in the floor from the crawl space. He broke a water line in the process and flooded the entire crawl space. He stole a significant amount of money and jewelry.

This motorhome is also the suspect vehicle in an unsolved burglary series in the Ocean Shores area, and it is believed James Door is the one committing the burglaries in both Puyallup and in Ocean Shores. Probable cause exists for James Door for the crimes of Residential Burglary, Trafficking in Stolen Property 1st, Malicious Mischief 1st, and Theft 1st. There is also probable cause to confiscate the vehicle for a search warrant.

If you locate Mr. Door or his vehicle, please contact Detective Travis Stevens at 253-466-8595 or Sgt. Kevin Gill at 253-954-6936. If you have nonurgent information regarding this subject or vehicle, you can email Det. Stevens at tstevens@puyallupwa.gov or Sgt. Gill at k.gill@puyallupwa.gov.

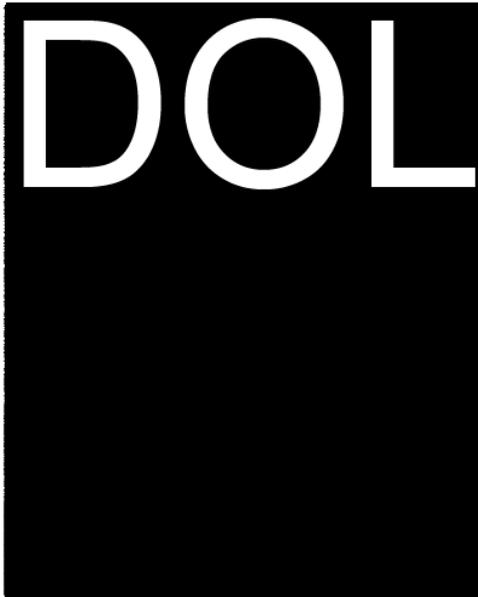
Puyallup Police Department 311 West Finness Puyallup, WA 98371 253-841-2415

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	<h1>Special Bulletin</h1> <h2>TACOMA POLICE DEPARTMENT</h2>	
<p>Det. Y. Song 093 Tacoma Police Department Traffic Unit</p>	<p>Bulletin Number: S23-063</p>	<p>Wednesday May 3rd, 2023</p>
		<p>Office (253) 591-5910 Cell (253) 732-4807 Email ysong@cityoftacoma.org</p>

Arrest Warrant for Robert Allen Post
TPD #23-102-00736



Robert Allen Post
DOB; 04/16/1993
 5'07", 161 lbs, blue eyes
LKA; 2034 E 34th St, TAC

On 4/12/23, a stolen BMW sedan crossed over the center lane and struck a victim vehicle head-on near 1625 S Tacoma Way. The driver of the BMW fled on foot after the collision and the passenger in the victim vehicle remains in critical condition.

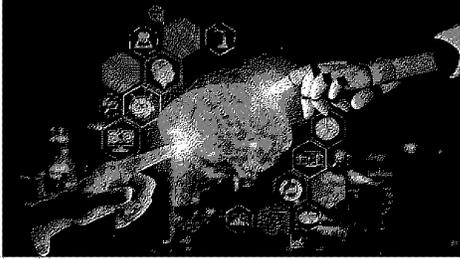
The driver of the BMW was identified as Robert A Post (DOB 4/16/93) and Felony Warrants has been issued by the Pierce County Prosecutor's Office for; Theft of a Motor Vehicle, Fail to Remain at Injury Accident, Identity Theft First Degree, and Duty in Case of Personal Injury or Death or Damage to Attended Vehicle or Other Property.

If Robert Post is located, confirm the warrants and arrest. Please notify Det. Y. Song at (253-732-4807) or ysong@cityoftacoma.org.

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CYBER THREATS

ABCs of AI: 20 Key Terms Every Police Officer Should Know



The use of artificial intelligence (AI) tools is rapidly transforming the field of law enforcement, allowing police officers to work more efficiently and effectively. A glossary of AI terms was generated by ChatGPT, a large language model that uses advanced machine learning algorithms to understand and respond to natural language inputs, making it a powerful tool for a range of applications, including law enforcement. With ChatGPT, police officers can quickly and easily access information about AI technologies and their applications in law enforcement, helping them to stay up to date on the latest developments in the field.

Some key terms are listed as:

- **Artificial Intelligence (AI):** The development of computer systems that can perform tasks that normally require human intelligence, such as visual perception, speech recognition, decision-making, and language translation.
- **Predictive Policing:** The use of data analysis and AI tools to identify and prevent crime before it occurs, by analyzing patterns and trends in crime data to predict where and when crimes are most likely to occur.
- **Crime Pattern Analysis:** The use of data analysis and visualization tools to identify patterns and trends in crime data, enabling law enforcement to make more informed decisions and allocate resources more effectively.
- **Cybersecurity:** The protection of computer systems and networks from theft, damage, or unauthorized access, using a range of techniques and tools, such as encryption and firewalls.

For the rest of the 20 click on the link below: Source: Police 1

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Millions of patients' data confirmed stolen after Fortra mass-hack

Over five million people across the United States had personal and health information stolen in a mass-hack targeting dozens of companies, including healthcare providers, according to new filings with the federal government, media reported Thursday TechCrunch.

NationBenefits, a Florida-based technology company that offers supplementary benefits to its 20 million-plus members across the U.S., confirmed in April that hackers had stolen member data as the result of a mass ransomware attack targeting customers who used Fortra's GoAnywhere file-transfer software.

A listing on the U.S. Department of Health's data breach portal confirms that more than three million NationBenefits members had data stolen in the incident, including customer databases that include members' names, addresses, phone numbers, dates of birth, gender, marital status, and insurance details U.S. Department for Health and Human Services

The hackers also hit Brightline, a virtual coaching and therapy provider for children. The Department of Health's breach portal suggests more than 960,000 of the company's pediatric mental health patients had protected health and personal data stolen in the cyberattack.

U.S. healthcare giant Community Health Systems in February was the first to confirm that hackers had stolen data from its Fortra system, noting that hackers had accessed the personal data of at least one million patients. Source; TechCrunch

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PUBLIC SAFETY

Largest International Operation Against Darknet Trafficking of Fentanyl and Opioids Results in Record Arrests and Seizures

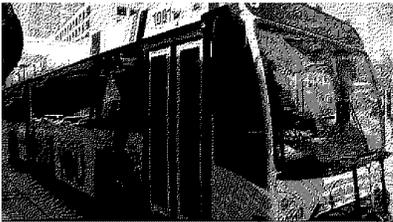


May 2, 2023 (DOJ). Washington, DC - Today, the Department of Justice, and its Joint Criminal Opioid and Darknet Enforcement (JCODE) team and international partners, announced the results of Operation SpecTor, which include 288 arrests, the most ever for any JCODE operation and nearly double that of the prior operation. Law enforcement also conducted more seizures than any prior operation, including 117 firearms, 850 kilograms of drugs that include 64 kilograms of fentanyl or fentanyl-laced narcotics, and \$53.4 million in cash and virtual currencies. Operation SpecTor was a coordinated international effort spanning three continents to disrupt fentanyl and opioid trafficking on the darknet, or dark web. The

operation was conducted across the United States, Europe, and South America, and was a result of the continued partnership between JCODE and foreign law enforcement against the illegal sale of drugs and other illicit goods and services on the darknet. Operation SpecTor builds on the successes of prior years' operations and takedowns of marketplaces, which result in the seizure of darknet infrastructure providing investigators across the world with investigative leads and evidence. JCODE and Europol's European Cybercrime Centre (EC3) continue to compile intelligence packages to identify entities of interest. These leads allow U.S. and international law enforcement agencies to identify darknet drug vendors and buyers, resulting in a series of coordinated, but separate, law enforcement investigations, resulting in the statistics announced today. Source; <https://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/largest-international-operation-against-darknet-trafficking-fentanyl-and-opioids-results>

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CA: Metro Responds to Rising Crime with More Drug Arrests and 'Transit Ambassadors



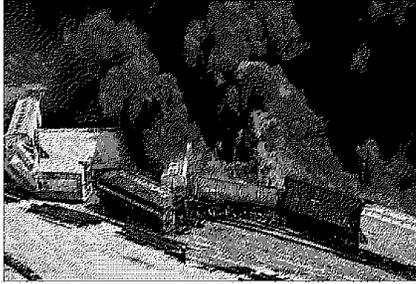
[Los Angeles, California] A month ago, LA Metro extended contracts with three policing agencies and expanded the roster of its security officers in an effort to reduce rising crime on buses, trains and transit stations so that riders who had left the system, because they don't feel safe, would return. But reports released on Thursday, April 27 by Metro indicate that police and sheriff deputies and Metro's Transit Security Officers were busy dealing with assaults and drug abuse as crimes spiked in the first quarter of this year. The number of crimes reported from March 21, 2022 to Feb. 22,

2023 totaled 3,267, about a 15% increase from the same period the year before. In February of 2023, crimes on the county transit system rose 21% compared to February 2022, Metro reported. During a roughly six-month period from September 2022 through February 2023, crime rose by 8%. The biggest increase in crime was drug use. Source; Mass Transit Magazine, 5/2/2023

Analyst Comment On 23 March, the Los Angeles Metro (LA Metro) board extended law enforcement contracts for up to three additional years and approved a plan to hire 48 additional Metro Transit Security Officers tasked with patrolling high-crime bus routes and train stations. Serious crime on LA Metro trains, buses, and transit properties increased by 24% in 2022, and January 2023 saw a 25% increase in crime from January 2022. In 2022, LA Metro also saw a "99% increase in year over-year complaints of passengers possessing or using illegal drugs." According to Metro's Chief Safety Officer, Gina Osborn, the expanded efforts by law enforcement on the LA Metro infrastructure over the past eight weeks have resulted in a "7% drop in reports to its call centers, and a 15% drop in customer complaints via the agency's Transit Watch app." During this same time frame, law enforcement made over 280 drug-related arrests on the LA Metro in addition to issuing 224 citations and 110 warnings. According to the LA Metro, since the hiring of additional transit security personnel and transit ambassadors, there has been a decrease in property theft, arson, and vandalism on LA Metro

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property, as well as a decrease in assaults against bus and train operators. Source; Over the-Road-Bus Intelligence Awareness Daily (OTRBIAD) Report.



Railroads Warned About Dangers of Longer Trains

Federal regulators are warning railroads that the long trains they favor can cause all kinds of problems and contribute to derailments, so they want the railroads to ensure their training and operating procedures account for that. The Federal Railroad Administration stopped short of recommending in its latest safety advisory issued Thursday that railroads limit the size of their trains, which can routinely stretch more than 2 miles long. However, they did suggest a number of precautions including making sure engineers know how to handle them and that locomotives don't lose communication with devices at the end of trains

that can help trigger the brakes in an emergency. Currently, there aren't any restrictions on train length but members of Congress and state lawmakers in at least six states have proposed establishing limits particularly in the wake of the fiery Feb. 3 Norfolk Southern derailment in Ohio. Source; Manufacturing.com, 5/1/2023

Analyst Comment On 27 April, the Federal Railroad Administration (FRA) issued a safety advisory regarding "long trains," warning "railroads and railroad employees to be particularly mindful of the complexities of operating longer trains" in the wake of recent derailments. In the advisory, the FRA cites three examples of recent derailments that were caused by trains over 12,250 feet (3,734 meters), where train length played a role in the cause of the derailments. The derailments mentioned as examples were in Springfield, Ohio in March 2023; in Ravenna, Ohio in November 2022; and in Rockwell, Iowa in March 2022. In each of those cases, the FRA said "the way cars in different parts of the train pulled and pushed against each other contributed to the derailments." This latest advisory follows an advisory from earlier this month that directed railroads to reexamine the way they assemble their trains to minimize those kinds of forces, which often come into play as a train goes over hills and around corners. In addition to the concerns about derailments, long trains can block crossings for extended periods of time, which the U.S. Government Accountability Office (GAO) says can impede emergency responders and prompt "unsafe pedestrian behavior (such as climbing through stopped trains)." The states proposing limits on train size this year include Arizona, Iowa, Kansas, Michigan, Nevada and Washington. Source; Surface Transportation & Public Transportation ISAC Transit & Rail Intelligence Awareness Daily Report (TRIAD)

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**U.S.
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DEA Operation Last Mile Tracks Down Sinaloa and Jalisco Cartel Associates Operating within the United States

Reveals That Social Media Platforms Play Significant Role in Cartels' Ability to Get Fentanyl and Methamphetamine into American Communities

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WASHINGTON – Today, the U.S. Drug Enforcement Administration announced the results of a year-long national operation, “Operation Last Mile,” targeting operatives, associates, and distributors affiliated with the Sinaloa and Jalisco Cartels responsible for the last mile of fentanyl and methamphetamine distribution on our streets and on social media.

DEA’s top operational priority is to defeat the Sinaloa and Jalisco Cartels—the two drug cartels based in Mexico that are responsible for the vast majority of the fentanyl and methamphetamine that is killing Americans. In Operation Last Mile, DEA tracked down distribution networks across the United States that are connected to the Sinaloa and Jalisco Cartels. The Operation shows that the Sinaloa and Jalisco Cartels use violent local street gangs and criminal groups and individuals across the United States to flood American communities with huge amounts of fentanyl and methamphetamine, which drives addiction and violence and kills Americans. It also shows that the Cartels, their members, and their associates use social media applications—like Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, and Snapchat—and encrypted platforms—like WhatsApp, Telegram, Signal, Wire, and Wickr—to coordinate logistics and reach out to victims.

Operation Last Mile comprised 1,436 investigations conducted from May 1, 2022 through May 1, 2023, in collaboration with federal, state and local law enforcement partners, and resulted in 3,337 arrests and the seizure of nearly 44 million fentanyl pills, more than 6,500 pounds of fentanyl powder, more than 91,000 pounds of methamphetamine, 8,497 firearms, and more than \$100 million. The fentanyl powder and pill seizures equate to nearly 193 million deadly doses of fentanyl removed from communities across the United States, which have prevented countless potential drug poisoning deaths. Among these investigations, more than 1,100 cases involved social media applications and encrypted communications platforms, including Facebook, Instagram, TikTok, Snapchat, WhatsApp, Telegram, Signal, Wire, and Wickr.

“The Sinaloa and Jalisco Cartels use multi-city distribution networks, violent local street gangs, and individual dealers across the United States to flood American communities with fentanyl and methamphetamine, drive addiction, fuel violence, and kill Americans,” said Administrator Milgram. “What is also alarming—American social media platforms are the means by which they do so. The Cartels use social media and encrypted platforms to run their operations and reach out to victims, and when their product kills Americans, they simply move on to try to victimize the millions of other Americans who are social media users.”

“As our communities continue to grapple with drug poisonings, the sales of illicit drugs, and the violence that so often accompanies these crimes, our local, state, and federal partnerships have never been more important,” said Eddie Garcia, President of the Major Cities Chiefs Association. “Working together and towards the same goal has paid dividends when it comes to impacting criminal networks that continue to seek death and destruction on our streets.”

“Arrests focusing on key components of the drug cartel’s illegal drug distribution chain will help all of us in our efforts to disrupt and dismantle criminal organizations who are flooding our nation with deadly drugs and violence,” said Sheriff Mike Milstead, Chair of the Drug Enforcement Committee, National Sheriffs’ Association. “The strategy of DEA to coordinate these investigations with state/local/tribal law enforcement agencies has once again proven effective and we applaud the results of this nationwide investigation.”

“The Major County Sheriffs of America (MCSA) commends the Drug Enforcement Administration for their efforts during Operation Last Mile. The MCSA is proud to stand alongside our partners at the DEA to end this crisis and protect our citizens from the cartels,” said Sheriff Dennis Lemma, MCSA President. “The results of this yearlong investigation are unprecedented and demonstrate the importance of federal, state, and local law enforcement agencies working together.”

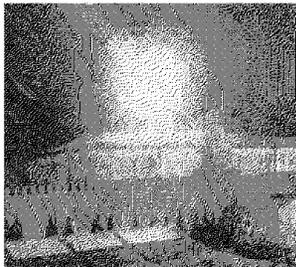
Operation Last Mile is an example of DEA’s network-based approach to take out Sinaloa and Jalisco Cartel members and associates in the United States and across the globe, stop fentanyl, and save American lives. In April 2023, the DEA and our federal partners announced the indictment of 28 members and associates of the Sinaloa Cartel operating in Mexico, China, and Central America, including the leaders of the Cartel known as the “Chapitos.” Source: DEA

Analyst Comment In Portland, Oregon – On Wednesday, a Mexican national with ties to the Sinaloa Drug Cartel was sentenced to 26-years in prison for conspiracy to commit kidnapping resulting in death, conspiracy to possess drugs with intent to distribute and for illegally re-entering the US twice following prior removals. The subject denied involvement in

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the kidnapping and murder of the victim but admitted to keeping watch over him for several days, as he was beat to death and then transferring the victim's body to a roadway. The subject did not identify others involved, afraid that he and his family in Mexico could be killed.

Kremlin Drone Attack



Drone attack on Kremlin

On Wednesday, at 2:30 a.m. a pair of explosions over the Kremlin were recorded on video, most likely delivered by unmanned aerial vehicles, reported the NYT. There were no reports of serious damage or casualties but the attack has generated wild speculation about the source and ominous threats from the Russian government. The Ukrainian government has officially denied involvement, but the Russian spokesman has characterized the attack as terrorism and has blamed the US for orchestrating the operation.

Analyst Assessment The attack on the Kremlin has increased fears of Russian retaliation and escalation aimed at Ukraine, the US, and western allies. Pro-Putin hardliners have been pushing for major escalations; from calling for the assassination of the Ukrainian President, to the use of nuclear weapons. The Institute for the Study of War believes the attack is most likely a false flag operation, staged to further Russian political agendas. Currently, the Russians are expecting a Ukrainian offensive. Russian cyber activity, election interference, and disinformation campaigns will likely continue or accelerate against the US and western targets. Source; Watchline@fdny.nyc.gov

Other National/International Articles of Interest (Links):

FBI Warrantless Searches of Americans' Data Plummet in 2022, Intel Report Says

<https://www.cnn.com/2023/04/28/politics/fbi-americans-data-intelligence-report/index.html>

More People Are Getting Away with Murder, Unsolved Killings Reach a Record High

<https://www.npr.org/2023/04/29/1172775448/people-murder-unsolved-killings-record-high>

Frequent Shootings Put U.S. Mass Killings on a Record Pace

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Nearly a third of nurses nationwide say they are likely to leave the profession

<https://www.npr.org/2023/05/02/1173107527/nursing-staffing-crisis>

Three Men Arrested in Child Sex Sting During NFL 2023 Draft in Kansas City

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Top Gulf drug cartel lieutenant Hugo Salinas Cortinas, dubbed 'The Goat,' arrested near Texas border

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TSA is rolling out a new facial recognition technology to check IDs at airports across the country

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Report: LEOs shot in ambush-style attacks increases 10% over last year

<https://www.police1.com/officer-safety/articles/report-leos-shot-in-ambush-style-attacks-increases-10-over-last-year-qW0RCWkjYAO2m733/>

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Cameras, LPRs help officers track, locate and arrest Atlanta gunman

https://www.police1.com/police-products/traffic-enforcement/license-plate-readers/articles/cameras-lprs-help-officers-track-locate-and-arrest-atlanta-gunman-hT0pcvGg1Z9VmNSm/?utm_source=Police1&utm_campaign=a01df92856-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2023_05_04_05_53&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_5584e6920b-3877e91294-%5BBLIST_EMAIL_ID%5D

United States: California to Start Phase Out All Diesel Trucks at Ports Next Year

<https://www.maritime-executive.com/article/california-to-start-phase-out-all-diesel-trucks-at-ports-next-year>

The post-Title 42 border surge has already begun

<https://www.nbcnews.com/politics/immigration/title-42-border-surge-already-begun-rcna82980>

Georgia Is Using a Domestic Terrorism Law Expanded After Dylann Roof Against ‘Cop City’ Protesters

<https://time.com/6276994/georgia-domestic-terrorism-law-cop-city/>

Belgian Police Arrest Seven People Over Terror Attack Plot

<https://www.theguardian.com/world/2023/may/04/belgian-police-arrest-seven-islamic-state-terror-attack-plot>

UK police well prepared for King Charles's coronation

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REGIONAL



Fentanyl Crisis Impacts First Responders

WASHINGTON — The overdose calls seem to never stop for emergency responders in Washington.

In King County, there have been an average of 21 calls a day for opioid overdoses so far in 2023. In 2022, that average was 12, and in 2021 there were an average of 8 overdose calls each day, according to Department of Health data. "In the last two years, overdoses have more than doubled. It's just been a real spike," said Dr. Michael Sayre, the medical director of the Seattle Fire Department.

Many first responders are going to opioid overdose calls multiple times during a shift. "I think many first responders can see themselves or one of their family members in these patients, and it's just been really hard," Sayre said.

The most challenging calls for first responders involve children. Earlier this year, first responders in Whatcom County raced to the home of a mother who reported her daughter had died. Investigators allege the child had died from a fentanyl overdose, and three adults have been charged with murder.

Police in Bellingham found a 15-year-old girl dead from a suspected overdose inside a tent at a homeless encampment earlier this year. "I don't think anyone is ever prepared to come into an encampment that looks like this and pull a 15 year old dead out of a tent," said Lt. Claudia Murphy of the Bellingham police. "Of course people need treatment, but until we have that infrastructure in place, we have nothing. That's what our officers are struggling with."

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According to the Washington State Department of Health (DOH), 11 children died from synthetic opioid drug overdoses in 2019. In just four years, that number jumped to 31 children dying in 2022. Most of those deaths were from fentanyl, with King, Snohomish and Pierce counties seeing the highest numbers out of the entire state.

DEA administrator Anne Milgram called fentanyl the "single deadliest drug threat" the U.S. has ever seen. "Fentanyl is everywhere. From large metropolitan areas to rural America, no community is safe from this poison. We must take every opportunity to spread the word to prevent fentanyl-related overdose death and poisonings from claiming scores of American lives every day," Milgram said. Source; KOMO News

Tacoma Police Department Provides Mid-Year Analysis on the Crime Reduction Plan



The Tacoma Police Department provided a mid-year analysis on the Violent Crime Reduction Plan during the City Council Study Session on May 16.

Police Chief Avery Moore and University of Texas (San Antonio) consultants gave a presentation that included an overview of the Violent Crime Reduction Phase 1 (Hot Spot) approach. The summary included the first eight months of the plan, a discussion about ongoing efforts and next steps of the mid-term strategy.

Last summer, Tacoma Police Department began executing its near-term, hot spots policing strategy which focused on violence-prone addresses. By increasing police visibility at or near those locations to deter violent offenders, the goal is to drive down violent crime in and around these areas, thereby impacting crime levels within larger geographical areas (e.g., patrol sectors).

Between July 2022, and February 2023, 16 treatment locations were identified using crime patterns and analyzed for temporal patterns of highest risk for violent crime, and peak crime hours/days of the week were identified for each location. Officers were dispatched to each location during high-risk hours and were instructed to be within sight of the hot spot address for at least 15 minutes, with all vehicle lights illuminated. Otherwise, addresses received normal patrol and/or response to calls for service.

The mid-year results of these efforts (July 2022-February 2023) were:

- A 21 percent reduction in violent crime incidents at the city-wide level during the treatment period compared to the previous 12 months.
- Reductions in average monthly crime rates city-wide, in treatment locations and catchment areas, by treatment type, and by violent crime type when compared to the same time last year.
- Reductions in average monthly violent crime incidents across all catchment and treatment areas by sector when compared to the same time last year.
- Varied impacts on arrests (some increases and some decreases) depending upon arrest type – total arrests, violent crime, disorder, drugs, weapons, and warrant arrests – compared to the same time last year.
- A decrease in violence-related calls for service in treatment locations compared to the same time last year.
- Treatment fidelity remained above 90 percent in all three Periods, and TPD reduced excessive officer treatment after Period 1.

The Tacoma Police Department is continuing to work toward full implementation of its mid-term strategy, which includes Problem-Oriented, Place-Based Policing (POPBP) to address underlying conditions that contribute to recurring problems in crime-prone locations. This approach has proven to be more effective at reducing crime than merely increasing or intensifying traditional police activities.

The Tacoma Police Department completed training on POPBP in February 2022. A work group has been meeting to define problems in and around the Hosmer area since March 2023. Additional updates are expected in September 2023 and January 2024.

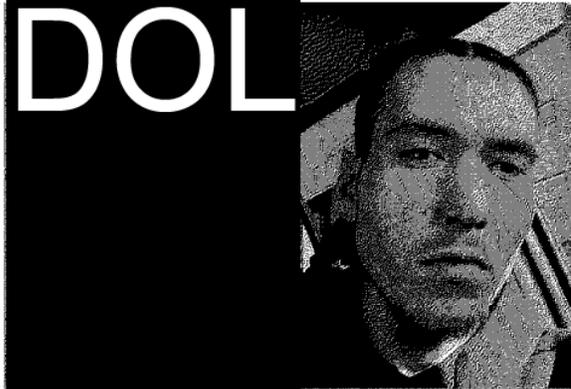
For more information about the Violent Crime Reduction Plan visit cityoftacoma.org/crimereduction. To see the full study session presentation, visit cityoftacoma.org/TVTacoma.

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OFFICER SAFETY

	<p style="text-align: center;">Special Bulletin TACOMA POLICE DEPARTMENT</p> <p>Bulletin Number: S23-073b May 18th, 2023</p>	
<p>Det. Jared Williams #028 Tacoma Police Department Criminal Investigations Division</p>		<p>Office: (253) 591-5474 Cell: (253) 732-8552 Email: jwilliams2@cityoftacoma.org</p>

**PC TO ARREST – ARMED ROBBERY x2, ASSAULT 1 x3
TPD #2313102429 and #2313401298**



**GUERRERO, THOMAS TREJO DOB 04/11/1994
TRANSIENT**

There is probable cause to arrest THOMAS T GUERRERO for the charges listed above. GUERRERO was identified by Lacey PD officers. The female was identified as GUERRERO's girlfriend Dannyelle Nicole Sellers (09/30/99), who was arrested by Lacey PD on 05/17/23 and is currently in custody. GUERRERO is a Puyallup Tribal member and known to frequent Tacoma, Fife, and Lakewood, and the Emerald Queen Casino.

GUERRERO SHOULD BE CONSIDERED ARMED



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On 05/14/23 the above pictured suspect shoplifted 2 buckets worth of tools from Lowe's in Tacoma. As he was exiting, a store employee asked for a receipt. An off-duty Deputy who was walking in reiterated the request, and the subject brandished a tan pistol with a red-dot sight. The suspect fled to the pictured blue Toyota Camry and placed the property inside. He then started walking back towards the employee and Deputy, pointing the firearm directly at them and saying something before returning to the vehicle and fleeing. The vehicle has no front plate mounted, but a rear plate is seen in surveillance images. The plate likely starts with "A" and may contain the number 7.

The same suspect is responsible for another robbery at Macy's at Tacoma Mall on 05/11/23. At approximately 2100 hours loss prevention attempted to stop a female for shoplifting. The male confronted loss prevention, brandishing the same described firearm. Both suspects fled in the same blue Camry. Additional images of the suspects and vehicle are below.

There is no PC for anyone's arrest at this time. Suspects are considered armed.



No front plate, but possible damage where the front plate mounts
Likely a 2003 Toyota Camry WA/ATU8740



Male & Female from Macy's incident on 5/11/23

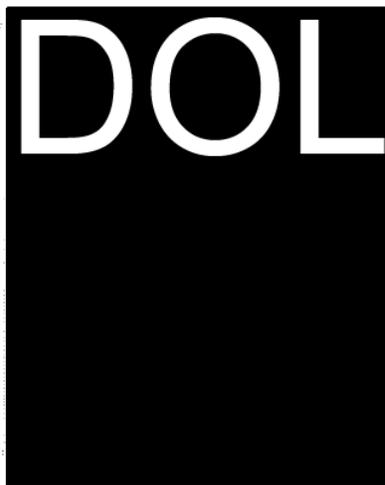
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**PC for Murder 2nd
Officer Safety
TPD Case #23-135-02424**



2010 Booking Photo



DOL Picture



Facebook Picture



Bobby Joe Ezra Plain AKA "Pizzo"
DOB 05/05/86, 6' 1ft tall, 205 lbs

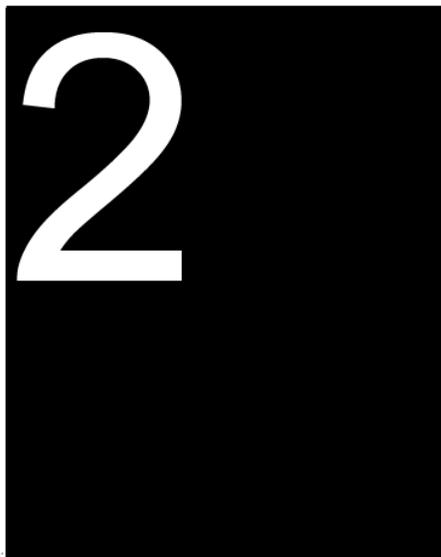
A BENCH WARRANT WAS ISSUED FOR BOBBY JOE EZRA PLAIN FOR MURDER 2ND DEGREE/ UPOF. At approximately 1938hrs on May 15th, 2023 Tacoma Police responded to the area of N 7th St/ N Junett St in Tacoma WA for the report of a shooting. Callers reported that a female was shot in front of the location. Officers arrived and located a female with a gunshot wound to the head, The Tacoma Fire Department responded to the scene and transported the female victim to Saint Joseph Hospital where she died from her injuries. Through the investigation Detectives have developed probable cause for Bobby Joe Ezra Plain for the shooting. His whereabouts are unknown at the time of this bulletin. If he is located please call Detective Maahs at (253) 318-9605, Detective Shank at (253) 720-2569 or Detective Malave at (253) 405-7702 immediately. Do not speak to him about the homicide. **The weapon used in the homicide has not been recovered. This subject should be considered to be armed and dangerous.**

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	<h1>Special Bulletin</h1> <h2>TACOMA POLICE DEPARTMENT</h2>	
Bulletin Number: S23-0696		May 19 th , 2023
Det. Josh White #129 Tacoma Police Department Criminal Investigations Division	Office: (253) 591-5656 Cell: (253) 732-8345 Email: jwhite@cityoftacoma.org	

ARREST WARRANT– Assault 1st (DV), Assault 2nd (DV)x2, Felony Harassment, Unlawful Imprisonment, Interfering w/ 911 and VNCO

TPD Case #23-09800858



BRANCH, JASIRI E

5-09 150 pounds

DOB: 07/27/1996

Possible Address-5416 S M St #11
 (Mom's)/1801 S 84th ST #J1 (Brother)

NEW ADDRESS RECENTLY SEEN 2011 S 7th St #UNK
 (Evergreen Manor)
 Possibly associated with Red Dodge Charger or Challenger

White newer Dodge Charger-No Plates-
 Unconfirmed Report the vehicle was crashed.

****Caution High Violent/Possibly Armed** *Offender DOC Warrant- History of resisting, gun possession and Crip Gang Affiliation ***

There is a Pierce County Superior Court Warrant in the system for the arrest of Jasiri Branch for the above-crimes.
CONFIRM ALL WARRANTS If Branch is arrested, please book into the Pierce County Jail and notify Det. White.

The vehicle is NOT needed.

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FIFE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Bulletin Number: 2313801263

Friday, May 19, 2023

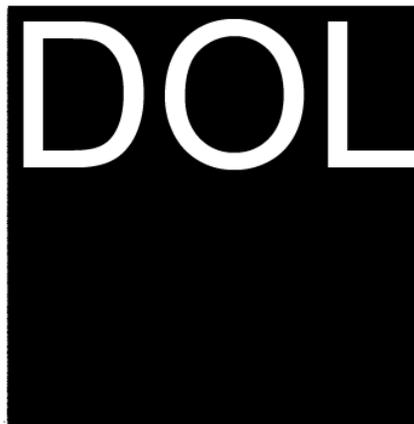
Det. Sgt. Kenyon (253)896-8291
tkenyon@cityoffife.org

Det. Fleming (253)896-8254
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**BOLO – PC for Assault 1st DV, Assault 2nd DV, Unlawful Possession of a Firearm
Caution: Likely Armed**

Jilberto Guzman-Osorio

Date of Birth: 09/24/1977
DLN: GUZMAJ*231O4
Gender: Male
Height: 5'04"
Weight: 180lbs
Eye: Brown
Hair: Black



Associated Vehicle: White 2013 Chevrolet Express
1500 Van, WA License C66077R, VIN 1GCSHAF47D1113655

Last known address: 37020 26th Pl S Federal Way, Wa
98003 – Was checked on 05/18/2023 and his vehicle was not there.

On 05/18/2023 Fife Officers responded to a local motel for the report of an assault with a firearm. Officer contacted the victim who identified her boyfriend, Guzman-Osorio as the suspect. During an argument Guzman-Osorio strangled and pointed a handgun at the victim. Guzman-Osorio fled prior to police arrival in his orange Ram 1500. Guzman-Osorio's truck was located nearby unoccupied. A subsequent search warrant was served on the truck and a firearm was located inside. There is currently PC to arrest Guzman-Osorio for Assault 1st Degree DV, Assault 2nd Degree DV, and Unlawful Possession of a Firearm. If located use extreme caution and arrest on the probable cause. Notify Det. Fleming for an interview and/or the on duty patrol supervisor for booking into the Pierce County Jail.

CAUTION: Armed and Dangerous, known to have firearms..
If you have any information, please call Fife Police Department at 253-922-6633.

OFFICER AWARENESS

	LAKESWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT CRIME BULLETIN	
DATE: 18 MAY 2023 CASE NUMBER: 2313201009		CONTACT PERSON: SGT. JEFF PAYNTER P: 253.830.5006 E: JPAYNTER@CITYOFLAKESWOOD.US

ATI BANK ROBBERY

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Suspect Description: Black male 20-30 years old, approx. 130 lbs and 5'9". Wearing: Red/Orange, Yellow and Green Doo Rag; Dark Sunglasses, N95 Mask, Medical Gloves, Black T-Shirt, Tan Knee-high Shorts, grey and orange socks.

On Friday, 12 May 2023 at approx 11:15am, a bank robbery was reported at the WSECU Bank located at 9540 Bridgeport Way SW. Suspect entered the bank and handed the teller a note demanding all of her money. The teller explained they don't have cash drawers. The suspect stated "NO! Give me all your money!" The teller showed him her drawer and handed him the \$60 dollars. He took the money, folded up his note and left. The suspect was last seen on foot walking through a parking lot towards Gravelly Lake Drive. Witnesses did not see if he got into a vehicle. No gun or weapon was displayed.

Lakewood Police are searching for the identity of the above shown individual or any information on this crime. If you have any information, Please call Sergeant Jeff Paynter at 253.830.5006. LAW

CYBER THREATS



Insider Threats Surge Across US Critical Infrastructure as 77% Under Increasing Fire from Within

[Houston, Texas] Over three-quarters (77%) of organizations across US critical national infrastructure (CNI) have seen a rise in insider-driven cyber threats in the last three years, according to new research by leading cyber security services firm Bridewell. The threat from within ranges from criminal intent to individual negligence, but those surveyed said an act of intentional destruction at the hands of an employee was committed on average at least every other week within the last year. Bridewell's findings come amidst a growing international focus on insider-driven cyber threats against critical infrastructure. The recent National Cybersecurity Strategy outlined the need for collaboration between private and public sector organizations to ensure national security is protected and maintained against threats from all angles. Source; Security Infowatch, 5/15/2023

Analyst Comment According to a new report titled "Cyber Security in CNI: 2023" that was released by Bridewell, a cyber security services firm based out of the U.K., "over three-quarters (77%) of organizations across U.S. critical national infrastructure (CNI) have seen a rise in insider-driven cyber threats in the last three years," which includes incidents caused by both negligence and criminal intent. Bridewell said that they surveyed "525 cyber security decision makers in the US, in the transport and aviation, utilities, finance, government, and communications sectors" in their report, and found that respondents claimed "an act of intentional destruction by an employee was committed at an average of at least every other week within the last year." The report also claimed that insider threats are particularly prevalent in the financial sector, with "financial organizations suffering an average of 41 security incidents caused by employee

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sabotage over the past 12 months, along with 40 instances of data theft or misuse.” In addition to insider threats, respondents claimed that ransomware remains a significant threat to critical infrastructure sectors, with transport and aviation organizations facing an average of 24 ransomware incidents in the past year – approximately one every two weeks. In the National Cybersecurity Strategy published in March 2023, the White House reclassified ransomware attacks as a tier one priority following a series of ransomware attacks that were leveraged against multiple critical infrastructure sectors by threat actors.



Identity crimes remain all-time high

The volume of identity fraud incidents last year was barely changed from an all-time high recorded in 2021, with Google Voice accounts the most popular target, according to the Identity Theft Resource Center (ITRC).

The non-profit compiled its second annual *2022 Trends in Identity Report* from consumer complaints it received during the year. These numbered 14,817, less than 1% fewer than the 14,947 complaints recorded the year before. Over half (55%) of cases were related to compromised credentials and 40% to misused credentials. In fact, last year 80% of identity compromises involved the use of stolen credentials as part of a scam, up from 77% the previous year.

The majority (61%) of compromised identity cases, were linked to Google Voice scams. These attacks usually take place on online marketplaces, with fraudsters posing as buyers or sellers. They typically persuade victims to share a Google Voice verification code with them, which is then used to create a new Google Voice account that is quickly put to work scamming other people. “The ITRC has received reports of people selling puppies, looking for lost pets and renting out rooms getting calls asking to provide the Google Voice verification code to prove they are legitimate,” the non-profit warned in a February alert. The majority of identity misuse incidents (61%) were related to account takeovers, with a third (32%) defined as new account creation attacks.

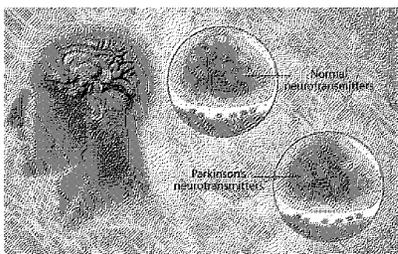
Social media accounts comprised nearly three-quarters (72%) of “non-governmental/financial account” abuse. In addition, around 30% of account takeover and 62% of new account creation scams impacted financial accounts, such as bank and credit card accounts, the report claimed; https://www.idtheftcenter.org/publication/2022-trends-in-identity-report/?utm_source=press+release&utm_medium=website&utm_campaign=2022+Trends+in+Identity+Report+

PUBLIC SAFETY



Common disinfectant wipes expose people to dangerous chemicals, research reveals

May 11, 2023 (The Guardian). University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, Minnesota, - Quats are common components in popular disinfectant wipes and sprays, especially those that claim to “kill 99.9% of germs”. But in a new peer-reviewed paper, the researchers assembled the conclusions from a fast-growing body of quat studies that point to several main issues: the chemicals are linked to serious health problems, they contribute to antimicrobial resistance, they pollute the environment and they are not particularly effective. Source; <https://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2023/may/11/concern-over-increase-in-disinfectant-wipes-linked-to-health-problems>



Widely used chemical strongly linked to Parkinson's disease

A groundbreaking epidemiological study has produced the most compelling evidence yet that exposure to the chemical solvent trichloroethylene (TCE)—common in soil and groundwater—increases the risk of developing Parkinson's disease. The movement disorder afflicts about 1 million Americans and is likely the fastest growing neurodegenerative disease in the

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world; its global prevalence has doubled in the past 25 years. In the Camp Lejeune veterans, the researchers also found higher rates of symptoms known to precede the onset of the movement disorder. Because the recruits were so young—an average age of 20—while at the training camp, the mostly male cohorts had an average age just shy of 60 when the analysis of their health records ended in 2021. That means that more Parkinson's diagnoses may occur as most people develop the disease after age 60. Animal studies have shown that TCE acts in an area of the midbrain responsible for movement control. It inhibits complex 1, the leading enzyme in a chain of reactions that convert food to energy in cellular organelles called mitochondria. In rodents exposed to TCE, the dopamine-generating neurons in the midbrain's substantia nigra are destroyed, as happens in human Parkinson's disease. Pesticides such as paraquat and rotenone that have been associated with Parkinson's disease also leave that pathological signature in rodents. Source: May 15, 2023 (Science). Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. <https://www.science.org/content/article/widely-used-chemical-strongly-linked-parkinson-s-disease>



AAA Releases National Travel Projections for Memorial Day Weekend

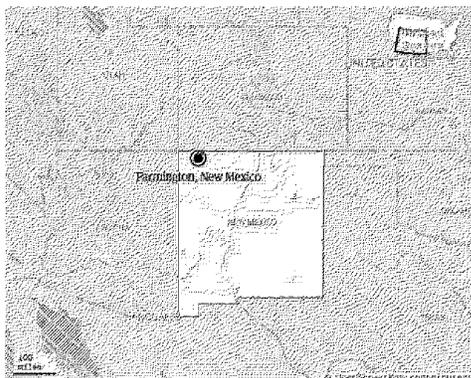
AAA released its national travel projections for Memorial Day on Monday. It estimates 42.3 million Americans will travel 50 miles or more over the upcoming holiday weekend. "This is expected to be the third busiest Memorial Day weekend since 2000 when AAA started tracking holiday travel," said Paula Twidale, Senior Vice President of AAA Travel. "More Americans are planning trips and booking

them earlier, despite inflation.

This summer travel season could be one for the record books, especially at airports." AAA projects air travel will surpass 2019 levels by 5.4%, even with airfare on the rise by as much as 40% to top destinations. Hotspots for the upcoming holiday weekend include Orlando, New York City and Las Vegas. Source: <https://6abc.com/aaa-travel-memorial-day-weekend-holiday-road-trip/13249402/>

NATIONAL

(U) New Mexico – Three Killed, Two Officers Wounded in New Mexico Shooting



(U) Farmington – Three people were killed and six others, including two police officers, were wounded by an 18-year-old suspect in a shooting in northwest New Mexico. Farmington Police advise that three "civilian victims" were killed in addition to one suspect who was "confronted and killed on scene." One Farmington police officer and one member of the state police were also wounded in the incident, and are in a stable condition. The suspect, armed with at least three guns, roamed the streets firing randomly at cars and houses. The suspect's identity and a motive for the incident are unknown at this time. Several schools and businesses in the area had been placed on lockdown in response to the incident that were later lifted. An investigation into the incident is ongoing. The mass shooting comes on the heels of two others in the past nine days.

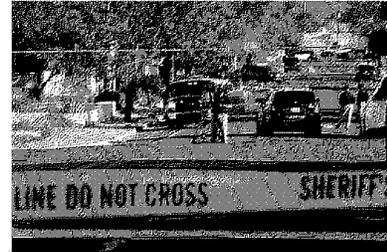
Four people, including a teenage suspect, were killed and two police officers were wounded Monday in a chaotic shooting in the Four Corners region of New Mexico, authorities said. Three "civilian victims" were killed, Farmington police said, in addition to a suspect who was "confronted and killed on scene." Police said that the suspect was 18 years old and that he had multiple weapons, Deputy Police Chief Baric Crum said, "It's just a devastating day," Farmington Police Chief Steve Hebbe said in a video Monday night. The 18-year-old shooter, who was shot at least once by police and died, appeared to fire at victims at random, Hebbe said. At least six houses and three cars were shot, Hebbe said. The gunman used at least three weapons, including what Hebbe called an AR-style rifle.

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Officers who responded to 911 calls about shots fired at 10:57 a.m. Monday came upon a "chaotic scene" as the shooter was still firing at people. "We have four officers from the Farmington Police Department that confronted the subject," Crum said. "They were able to stop his actions at that time."

Six people were injured, including two police officers — one was a Farmington officer and the other was a member of the state police, according to police. The state police officer was still hospitalized, and the Farmington officer was treated and released. A motive was under investigation. Hebbe said that investigators will be talking to family members and analyzing evidence. "It appears to be completely random. There was no targeting of specific victims that we can identify at this stage," Hebbe said. But he cautioned it was very early. The suspect is believed to have traveled in the neighborhood up to approximately 1/4 of a mile and to have fired three weapons, the police chief said.

Initially, police were concerned there was another shooter and schools were placed in lockdown — but Hebbe said Monday night that police believe there was never a second shooter. Authorities urged anyone with information about the shooting to contact police. Police had Farmington Municipal Schools lock down at 11:15 a.m., officials said. The order was lifted by 1:05 p.m. Agents of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives and San Juan County sheriff's deputies also responded.



The city, with a population of a little over 46,000, is about 200 miles northwest of Santa Fe, the state capital. The community — near the famed Four Corners, where the borders of New Mexico, Utah, Colorado and Arizona meet — is also close to three major Native American reservations: those of the Navajo, the Ute Mountain Indians and the Southern Utes.

Monday's mass shooting comes on the heels of two others in the past nine days. Two people were killed and five others were injured in a shooting Saturday night in Yuma, Arizona, police said. Seven victims, all male, were found with gunshot wounds. Two of them, 19 and 20 years old, were taken to Yuma Regional Medical Center, where they were pronounced dead. No suspects were in custody. A week before that shooting, a gunman killed eight people at a Dallas-area outlet mall.

The 33-year-old shooter, a neo-Nazi sympathizer with an AR-15-style weapon, was killed by an officer who happened to be at the shopping center in Allen, authorities said. The victims included a young boy and his parents, two elementary school-age sisters, a security guard working toward his goals and an engineer with a new master's degree. Source: nbcnews.com

'Black Hebrew Israelite' Arrested after Threatening Orthodox Jews with Knife in Brooklyn



[Brooklyn, New York] A group of four young orthodox Jewish students were victims of an anti-Semitic incident by a knife-wielding man on Thursday evening in Brooklyn Bridge Park in downtown Brooklyn. The young Israelis were in the park at approximately midnight, when they were approached by a black male, who proceeded to shout anti-Semitic slurs and insults at them. He shouted at the Jewish men to get out of the park, and then he took out a knife and demanded that they give him money, the victims said. ... The victims called Shmira of Williamsburg, who arrived and called the police, who arrested the man. The charges were upgraded on Friday to include hate crime charges. Source; Stop Anti-Semitism,

<https://www.stopantisemitism.org/antisemitic-incidents-144/f7rpxpknjz0sdr0ki7hxui16edcw71>

Analyst Comment On 11 May, four orthodox Jewish students were the victims of an attempted robbery "with anti-Semitic undertones" perpetrated by a man wielding a knife at Brooklyn Bridge Park in Brooklyn, New York. During the robbery the attacker "shouted rhetoric commonly heard from Black Hebrew Israelites, claiming that he is the 'real Jew'." According to the Anti-Defamation League (ADL), "the Black Hebrew Israelite (BHI) movement is a fringe religious

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movement that rejects widely accepted definitions of Judaism and asserts that people of color are the true children of Israel." The Black Hebrew Israelite movement is divided into organizations, or sects, that operate semi independently across the United States. Some of the more extremist sects advocate violence against Jews and Christians. On 10 December 2019, two alleged members of the Black Hebrew Israelite movement killed New York Police Department (NYPD) Detective Joseph Seals at a cemetery before attacking a kosher market in Jersey City. During the incident, the store owner, an employee, and one customer were killed by the attackers, and a second customer was injured but able to escape. The attackers then got into an hours-long shoot-out with police, where they injured two police officers before being killed by police. A manifesto and a pipe bomb were found in the vehicle belonging to the attackers, as was a note that read, "I do this because my creator makes me do this and I hate who he hates." Source; Over the Road-Bus Intelligence Awareness Daily (OTRBIAD) Report.

INTERNATIONAL

Afghan on Terrorist Watch list Arrested at U.S.-Mexico Border Crossing in San Diego



[San Diego, California] A person on the U.S. Terror Watch list was arrested near a U.S.-Mexico border crossing in San Diego as thousands of migrants flocked to the United States seeking asylum ahead of the expiration of Title 42. In a statement released to local media, Supervisor Desmond confirmed he had heard about the arrest on Wednesday, May 10. "On Wednesday, I received word from Border Patrol Officials that an Afghani on the terror watch list was arrested at our Southern Border. This apprehension occurred after the individual crossed the border alongside a group of migrants near Otay Mesa, CA," the statement said. Rumors of the

arrest initially began circulating on social media when Fox News reporter Bill Melugin tweeted that numerous U.S. Customs and Border Protection sources confirmed that agents in the San Diego sector arrested the Afghan national. Source; CBS, 5/14/2023

Analyst Comment On 10 May, an Afghan individual who was on the terror watch list was arrested at the Otay Mesa land port of entry in San Diego County, California. The individual was allegedly trying to enter the United States while embedded in a group of migrants. The Terrorist Screening Database, commonly referred to as "the terror watch list," is the U.S. Government's consolidated database containing sensitive law enforcement and national security information concerning the identity information of those who are known to be or reasonably suspected of being involved in terrorist activities. These known or suspected terrorists (KST), have known or suspected ties to either terrorism or to trans-national organized crime. U.S. Government agencies nominate individuals who may qualify for inclusion as a KST based on credible intelligence developed by the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), law enforcement, the intelligence community, or U.S. Embassies or Consulates. According to the U.S. Customs and Border Patrol (CBP), 380 KSTs were encountered at border crossings in fiscal year 2022. So far in 2023, there have been 250 KST encounters. In addition, CBP agents have also seized 1,987 weapons from individuals attempting illegal entry to the United States in 2023. The U.S. Customs and Border Protection states that their top priority is to keep terrorists and their weapons from entering the United States. CBP border statistics can be found at: <https://www.cbp.gov/newsroom/stats/cbp-enforcement-statistics> Source; Surface Transportation & Public Transportation ISAC Transit & Rail Intelligence Awareness Daily Report (TRIAD)

The New [Islamic State Group (ISG)]: How a Branch of the Terrorist Group Is Becoming a Top Threat



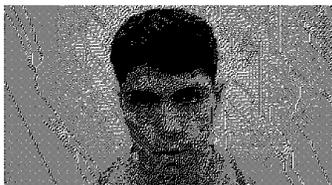
The Islamic State's Khorasan Province, also known as ISIS-K, has rapidly become the new boogeyman in the Middle East -- specifically in Afghanistan, where the overall [ISG] apparatus has spread its influence. The State Department has issued warnings about the group and has previously designated its leaders as top-priority terrorists. Over the last few years, top military generals have said that the group must be eradicated. And perhaps most recent in Americans' minds is the group's claim to the Abbey Gate

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suicide bombing, an explosion that killed 13 U.S. service members and at least 160 Afghans during the chaotic military withdrawal from Afghanistan almost two years ago. Source; Military.com, 5/12/2023

Analyst Comment On 26 August 2021, 13 U.S. service members and at least 160 Afghans were killed in a suicide bombing attack at the Abbey Gate entry control point outside Hamid Karzai International Airport in Kabul, Afghanistan. After the attack, a sub-set of the Islamic State Group (ISG) in Afghanistan known as "ISIS-K" or the Islamic State Khorasan Province (ISKP) claimed credit. In April 2023, the Taliban claimed they had killed the ISKP mastermind behind the Abbey Gate attack, and U.S. officials said that while they did not coordinate with the Taliban in the operation, they felt the outcome was significant. ISKP's version of extremism differs from that of the Taliban, and the two groups have been openly fighting for power in Afghanistan for years. Despite having claimed governance of Afghanistan after the U.S. withdrawal in 2021, the Taliban have been unsuccessful in removing ISKP from their strongholds in the country thus far. ISKP has a strong presence in the Nangarhar and Kunar provinces of Afghanistan, though their influence spreads into Kabul and parts of northern Afghanistan. Much of ISKP's organizational support comes from ISG affiliates in Iraq and Syria, and the group places a great deal of emphasis on formulating an insurgency warfare strategy designed to destabilize Afghanistan. In recent years, ISKP has placed an increased focus on targeting humanitarian operations in Afghanistan in furtherance of this goal, though they also routinely engage in targeted killings, roadside bombs, vehicle ramming, suicide bombings, and hit and run style attacks to promote their ideology and spread terror through the region. Source; Surface Transportation & Public Transportation ISAC Transit & Rail Intelligence Awareness Daily Report (TRIAD)

Student hatched terror plot to blow up police



A student who hatched a plot to blow up a police station as part of a "full-on war" has been found guilty of planning a terrorist attack. Luke Skelton, from Washington, was charged after planning an attack in Newcastle in November 2021. The 19-year-old held extreme right-wing beliefs, had devised recipes for explosives and carried out reconnaissance on potential targets. He was convicted at Teesside Crown Court following a two week trial. 'Sinister'. The Gateshead College student was arrested in October 2021 and items including his phone, handwritten notes and illustrations of guns were seized. The court had been told he possessed an "extreme right-wing ideology" and had the "basic building blocks" of an improvised explosive device. In evidence, it was heard Skelton wanted to protect "white girls" by targeting "rape gangs". The jury was told he had written: "I've got all the equipment I need to hunt down the gangs...I want a full on war." It was also said he wrote that he wanted "a chat with a drag queen...involving a knife". In the days before his arrest, he visited and took photographs of Forth Banks police station, one of three police stations scoped out.

Following the verdict, Det. Ch Supt James Dunkerley of Counter Terrorism Policing North East said: "The defendant's anger towards society, together with his extreme right-wing views, created a dangerous foundation from which his sinister plans were ultimately built. "He was strongly motivated by this mindset, which continued to fuel his actions and his later offending, despite repeated attempts to draw him away from it. "The evidence clearly demonstrated that he was not just a person who held strong views but a terrorist who wanted to cause serious harm." Mr Dunkerley added that officers rely on intelligence, and it was "more important than ever that everyone plays their part in tackling terrorism". "We have seen from this case that terrorists research and sometimes visit the places they plan to attack," he added. Skelton is due to be sentenced on 19 June. Source; BBC.com

Other National/International Articles of Interest (Links):

Border Patrol Arrests Man on Terror List Near San Diego: County Supervisor

<https://www.nbcсандiego.com/news/local/afghani-national-on-fbi-terror-list-arrested-trying-to-cross-san-diego-county-border/3227583/>

Oregon PDs see increase in drug possession tickets following landmark decriminalization law

<https://www.police1.com/drug-interdiction-narcotics/articles/oregon-pds-see-increase-in-drug-possession-tickets-following-landmark-decriminalization-law-K3vDwksP4W2O8VqR/>

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New Mexico high school student killed 3 women in 'random' shooting rampage, police say
<https://apnews.com/article/farmington-new-mexico-shooting-1ef9d04c1e97b047bd6587a6b9445b43>

Minnesota man accused of building arsenal to fight police pleads guilty to possessing machine gun
https://apnews.com/article/minnesota-violent-plot-machine-gun-grenades-firearms-river-smith-plea-9f197ef3fc73f0c120f97b558607151e?utm_source=ForYou&utm_medium=HomePage&utm_id=Taboola

60,000 Lbs. Explosive Ammonium Nitrate Missing from Train in California
<https://www.breitbart.com/politics/2023/05/17/60000-lbs-explosive-ammonium-nitrate-missing-from-train-in-california/>

Man with baseball bat attacked staffers at Rep. Gerry Connolly's office, police say
<https://www.cbsnews.com/news/gerry-connolly-staffers-attacked-baseball-bat/>

Instagram influencer scammed over \$2 million from older, lonely Americans, federal prosecutors say
<https://www.cnn.com/2023/05/16/us/mona-montrage-alleged-romance-scammer-ccc/index.html>

In Germany, far-right violence increasing in school life
<https://www.dw.com/en/in-germany-far-right-violence-increasing-in-school-life/a-65600500>

Seconds save lives: A review of Ed Monk's active shooter instructor class
https://www.police1.com/police-training/articles/seconds-save-lives-a-review-of-ed-monks-active-shooter-instructor-class-QW5TYRz737VA3CdO/?utm_source=Police1&utm_campaign=e3150bc14f-EMAIL_CAMPAIGN_2023_05_16_05_54&utm_medium=email&utm_term=0_5584e6920b-e3150bc14f-%5BLIST_EMAIL_ID%5D

Nigeria: Members of U.S. Embassy Shot and Killed, No Americans Hurt
<https://www.breitbart.com/politics/2023/05/16/nigeria-members-u-s-embassy-shot-killed-no-americans-hurt/>

Forever chemicals' in WA drinking water
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FBI Releases 2022 Statistics on Law Enforcement Officers Killed in the Line of Duty

CYBER THREATS

Cyberattacks on health care are increasing. Inside one hospital's fight to recover

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One way to prevent gun violence? Treat it as a public health issue

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Texas: Mass Shooting at Outlet Mall in Allen, Texas Leaves Eight Dead; Suspect Deceased

Georgia: A Former US Coast Guard Member Conducted a Mass Shooting at an Atlanta Hospital

8 deaths in Allen, 1 in Atlanta, Texas/Atlanta; US sees acceleration of mass shootings & Soft Targets

(U//FOUO) Intensified Threats of Violence Against the LGBTQIA+ Community

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Half of North Korean Missile Program Funded by Cyberattacks and Crypto Theft, White House Says

Canadian Man Charged with Aiding Suicide

Serbia: A Thirteen-Year-Old Conducts a Mass Shooting at an Elementary School

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	<p>TACOMA /PIERCE COUNTY REGIONAL INTELLIGENCE UNIT</p> <p>WEEKLY SUMMARY</p> <p>19-2023 Friday, May 12, 2023</p>	
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Scammers using artificial intelligence (AI) to enhance family-emergency schemes

You get a call. There's a panicked voice on the line. It's your son. He says he's in deep trouble — he wrecked the car and landed in jail. But you can help by sending money. You take a deep breath and think. You've heard about these scams. But darn, it sounds just like him. How could it be a scam? Voice cloning, that's how.

Artificial intelligence is no longer a far-fetched idea out of a sci-fi movie. We're living with it, here and now. A scammer could use AI to clone the voice of your loved one. All he needs is a short audio clip of your family member's

voice — which he could get from content posted online — and a voice-cloning program. When the scammer calls you, he'll sound just like your loved one.

So how can you tell if a family member is in trouble or if it's a scammer using a cloned voice?

Don't trust the voice. Call the person who supposedly contacted you and verify the story. Use a phone number you know is theirs. If you can't reach your loved one, try to get in touch with them through another family member or their friends.

Scammers ask you to pay or send money in ways that make it hard to get your money back. If the caller says to wire money, send cryptocurrency, or buy gift cards and give them the card numbers and PINs, those could be signs of a scam.

If you spot a scam, report it to the FTC at [ReportFraud.ftc.gov](https://www.ftc.gov/report-fraud).

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Want to stay up to date on the latest scams? Check out the FTC's consumer alerts: <https://consumer.ftc.gov/consumer-alerts>

**We encourage you to share this information with family members or friends. Source: Pierce County Sheriff's Department

Situational Awareness Alert - Washington LE Call Centers Continue Receiving Active Shooter Threatening Phone Calls Directed at High Schools



(U//LES) The Washington State Fusion Center (WSFC) continues to receive reports swatting phone calls coming into non-emergency law enforcement call centers and Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) throughout Washington State. The caller states they are outside the school with an automatic rifle and threatens to shoot everyone they see. A similar caller ID using the same 810-prefix is being used today and appears to be associated with a Canadia VOIP service. The caller ID observed yesterday came from 810-666-0947 and the caller, with a deep male voice, states "I just moved to [jurisdiction] and everyone is treating me badly." The caller also states they will shoot as many cops as possible and is working with Satan. In most calls, the caller identifies as 'Wayne' and concludes the call with the sound of automatic gunshots.

(U//LES) Local and regional law enforcement is aware of these calls and currently coordinating and sharing information as it becomes available. If your jurisdiction experiences similar calls, please contact the WSFC at intake@wsfc.wa.gov with the time of call, the school being threatened, and any additional information such as a recording.

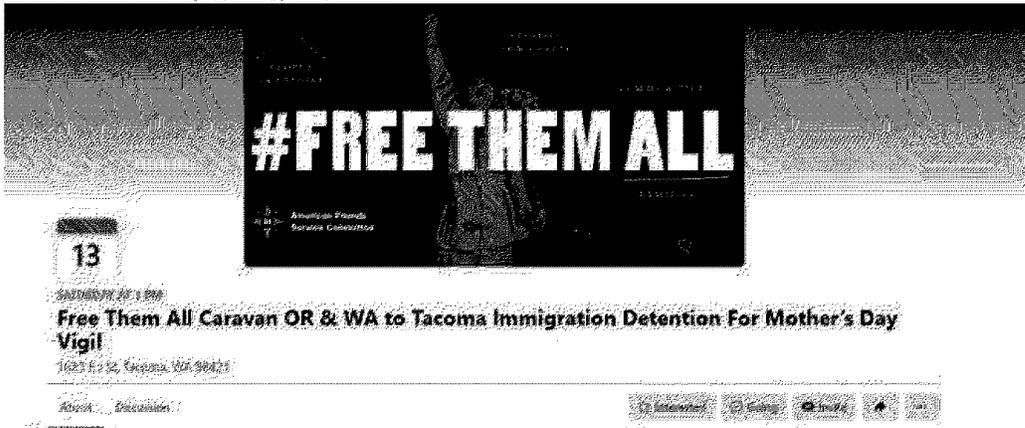
Free Them All Caravan OR & WA to Tacoma Immigration Detention

What: Day of action on Mother's Day weekend to demand the closing of the Tacoma Northwest Detention Center and stop deportations

Who: A coalition of immigrant justice advocates organized as Free Them All from Oregon and Washington State.

When: May 13, 1:00 PM-3PM plus live stream from social media pages of leading organizations

Where: 1623 E J St, Tacoma, WA 98421



Source;

https://www.facebook.com/events/644352271038998?context=%7B%22event_action_history%22%3A%7B%22surface%22%3A%22page%22%7D%7D

For Mother's Day Vigil

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Portland, OR- Dozens of people will drive forming a caravan from different cities in Oregon to Tacoma WA on May 13 to join the call to end all detentions during the Mother's Day weekend. There will be a vigil led by Adelante Mujeres, American Friends Service Committee (AFSC), Immigrant Mutual Aid Coalition (IMAC), The Interfaith Movement for Immigrant Justice (IMIRJ), La Resistencia, Latinos Unidos Siempre (LUS), Linn Benton Rapid Response Team, PCC DREAMers Resource Center, and the Portland Immigrant Rights Coalition (PIRC).

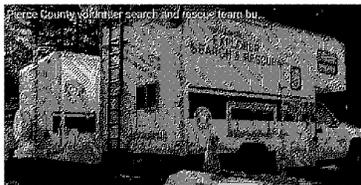
The groups and their supporters will gather as part of a Day of Action to demand that the Biden Administration and Department of Homeland Security Secretary Mayorkas:

- Shut down migrant detention centers and stop detention expansion.
- Stop all deportations and deportation flights taking off from King County Airport in Seattle, and southern border Title 8 expulsions.
- Cut the budgets of Immigration and Customs Enforcement and Customs and Border Protection.
- Reinvest the money in building safe and healthy communities.

Posting Message: *"This action in Tacoma, WA is part of a series of Mother's Day protests and events taking place across the country to demand that people be released from prisons, jails, immigration and juvenile detention centers, and digital surveillance. The events will highlight the strength and resilience of mothers and caregivers forced to parent their children across walls—mothers in immigration detention who are separated from their children, mothers whose loved ones are in jail, and the incredible labor of all the mothers and caregivers who are leaders in the struggle for a more just world. Groups will share about the need for investments in their communities instead of policing, borders, and cages. The event will be live streamed via the leading organizations' social media platforms."*

Analyst Comment Currently this event is assessed as a peaceful protest. The numbers attending could go over 100 (+) depending on the numbers that come up from Portland or other cities in Washington State. . Historically events like this, there have been approximately 10 cars and 25 protestors, however, now that the weather is warmer and drier the numbers will increase. Also, with the current issues of large migration over the Southern Border and the ending of Title 42 ending this week, this could motivate more to attend.

Pierce County Search and Rescue Team Faces Setback Due to Burglary



The Pierce County Explorer Search and Rescue team, a volunteer-led organization, experienced a significant setback after being burglarized just ahead of their busy season. The team discovered the theft and damages on Monday morning, 8 May, as they were preparing for an anticipated influx of people hitting the trails this weekend. As warmer weather approaches, the team is gearing up for their busiest season yet. Thieves targeted the team's mobile operations vehicles, breaking locks and stealing crucial equipment such as cords, cables, and rescue ropes. One of the vehicles is no longer waterproof due to the damage, while the driver-side door of another vehicle is now inaccessible. The burglars also breached the team's storage area by cutting through a fence, damaging locks to enter the cab of a vehicle, and siphoning gas out of their transport van.

Fortunately, major equipment such as radios and GPS devices were not stolen. The loss of generator cables, however, has rendered the team's computer, TV, and tracking equipment unusable. The Pierce County Explorer Search and Rescue team, which has been on thousands of missions since its inception in 1958, relies entirely on donations to fund their operations.

As a result of the burglary, the team now has to divert funds initially set aside for purchasing new radios and rigs to cover repair costs. Despite the setback, the team remains able to respond to calls as more people are expected to venture outdoors during the upcoming warm weather. The burglars have not yet been caught, and the estimated damage is worth around \$1,000. Anyone interested in helping or volunteering with the Pierce County Explorer Search and Rescue team can visit their website for more information. <https://www.newsbreak.com/pierce-county-wa/3023238834822-pierce-county-search-and-rescue-team-faces-setback-due-to-burglary>

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Detective Patrick Brame #272 Tacoma Police Department Special Victims Unit	Office – 253-591-5941 Cell – 253-405-5527 Email – Pbrame@cityoftacoma.org	

Probable cause to arrest DV assault suspect

TPD case # 23-096-02467, 23-058-02373, 23-120-00106, 23-068-01227, 23-079-02223, 23-076-02674, 23-099-01438 and 23-074-02052

AN UPDATE; There is now an arrest warrant in the system for Everett.



Probable cause to arrest **JAMES ARTHUR EVERETT** (DOB 1974) for 1 count Assault 1st degree (DV), 4 counts Assault 2nd degree (DV), 2 counts Burglary 1st degree (DV), 2 counts Felony Harassment (DV), 2 counts Harassment (DV) and 1 count of Stalking (DV). Everett has been charged with the above listed charges. Everett is homeless but is known to stay in the area of South 17th and G Street. Victim stated that during the latest assault, EVERETT was armed with a handgun. If located, please book on listed charges. A charging sheet will be at the desk at TPD OPS along with a probable cause statement.

Everett should be considered armed and dangerous.

Please email Det. Brame at Pbrame@cityoftacoma.org if Everett is arrested. (Desk) 253-591-5941, (Cell) 253-405-5527

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Det. Josh White #129 Tacoma Police Department Criminal Investigations Division		Office: (253) 591-5656 Cell: (253) 732-8345 Email: jwhite@cityoftacoma.org

ARREST WARRANT– Assault 1st (DV), Assault 2nd (DV)x2, Felony Harassment, Unlawful Imprisonment, Interfering w/ 911 and VNCO
 TPD Case #22-09800858



BRANCH, JASIRI E
 5-09 150 pounds
 DOB: 07/27/1996
 Possible Address-5416 S M St #11 (Mom's)/1801 S 84th ST #J1 (Brother) (Neither Address is Police Friendly)

Was driving a white newer Dodge Charger-No Plates-Unconfirmed Report the vehicle was crashed.

Caution High Violent/Possibly Armed Offender DOC Warrant- History of resisting, gun possession and Crip Gang Affiliation ***

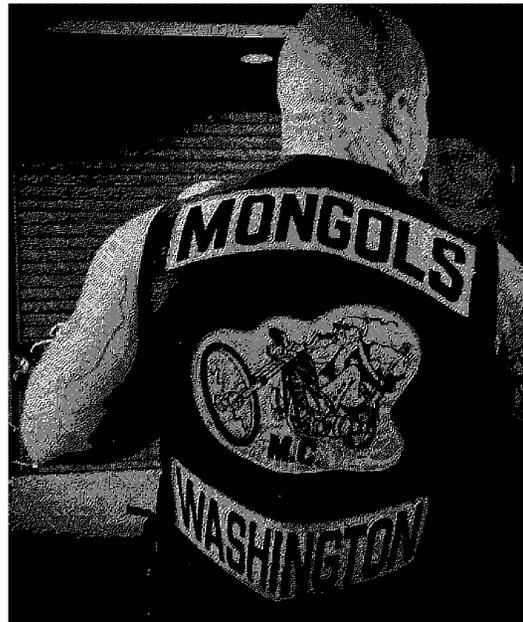
There is a Pierce County Superior Court Warrant in the system for the arrest of Jasiri Branch for the above crimes.
 CONFIRM ALL WARRANTS If Branch is arrested, please book into the Pierce County Jail and notify Det. White.

The vehicle is NOT needed.

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GANG EVENT – OFFICER SAFETY

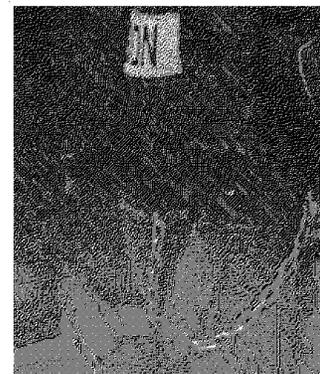


Reminder:

Information: Information has been received that the **Mongols Outlaw Motorcycle Gang (OMG)** will be holding an event planned for **May 12- 14** at an undisclosed location in the **Seattle/Tacoma**, Washington area. The **Mongols OMG** is considered to be one of the most violent in the nation and are at war with the **Hells Angels** and **Bandidos** OMGs. The **Mongols** have been growing in Washington state and have a Seattle chapter a reopened Spokane chapter and new chapter in Tacoma. The Seattle/Tacoma area is the location of six (6) **Bandido** chapters and one (1) **Hells Angel** chapter. Because of recent violence and tension between the **Mongols** and the **Bandidos** and **Hells Angels** you should expect the **Mongols** to be armed with both legal and illegal weapons. Typical **Mongols** events have drawn 60 – 100 participants and the **Mongols** often use the show of force to attempt to instigate confrontations with their rivals and to intimidate the public.

Weapons: The **Mongols** will often be armed with a variety of legal and illegal weapons such as firearms, with or without concealed pistol licenses, and will frequently wear and display a variety of edged weapons and daggers, with the intent to intimidate and to use against their rivals.

Please consider SMC 12A.14.080 Unlawful use of Weapons for incidents in which suspects carry a fixed blade knife or a knife with a blade measuring more than 3 ½ inches in length.



Prepared by: Detective Robert Belshay #6460, SPD Investigative Support Unit
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	<h1>Special Bulletin</h1> <h2>TACOMA POLICE DEPARTMENT</h2> <p>Bulletin Number: S23-070</p> <p>May 12th, 2023</p>	
<p>Det. Jared Williams #028 Tacoma Police Department Criminal Investigations Division</p>		<p>Office: (253) 591-5474 Cell: (253) 732-8552 Email: jwilliams2@cityoftacoma.org</p>

**ATTEMPT TO IDENTIFY – ARMED ROBBERY
TPD #2312902356**



On 05/09/23 the two pictured subjects along with a black female teen and two other black male teens stole several cases of beer from Bartell Drugs at 6th & Union in Tacoma. The white male suspect brandished a handgun at employees when they attempted to stop the theft. The suspects fled in a stolen Kia Sportage which has already been recovered. If you can identify these suspects please contact Det. Williams at the information listed above.

There is no PC for anyone's arrest at this time.

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OFFICER AWARENESS

FBI Releases 2022 Statistics on Law Enforcement Officers Killed in the Line of Duty



According to statistics reported to the FBI by March 1, 2023, 118 law enforcement officers were killed in line-of-duty incidents in 2022. Of these, 60 officers died as a result of felonious acts, and 58 officers died in accidents. Comprehensive data tables about these incidents and brief narratives describing the fatal attacks were released on May 8 in the Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted (LEOKA) portion of the FBI's Law Enforcement Data Explorer (a subset of the Crime Data Explorer).

Felonious Deaths

Sixty officers were feloniously killed in 2022, a decrease of 17.8% when compared to the 73 officers who were killed as a result of criminal acts in 2021. The 60 felonious deaths occurred in 28 states and the District of Columbia. The five- and 10-year comparisons show an increase of three felonious deaths when compared with the 2018 figure (57 officers) and an increase of 33 deaths when compared with 2013 data (27 officers).

Officer Profiles. The average age of the officers who were feloniously killed was 39 years old. The victim officers had served in law enforcement for an average of seven years at the time of the fatal incidents.

Circumstances Encountered by Victim Officer Upon Arrival at Scene of Incident. Of the 60 officers feloniously killed:

- Six officers were killed in unprovoked attacks.
- 12 officers died as a result of investigative/enforcement activities.
- 12 officers were ambushed (entrapment/premeditation).
- Four officers encountered/assisted an emotionally disturbed person.
- Four officers were involved in pursuits.
- Six officers responded to disorders/disturbances.
- Six officers were involved in tactical situations.
- One officer was involved in arrest situation.
- Three officers responded to crimes in progress.
- Three officers were assisting other law enforcement officers.
- Two were serving/attempting to serve a court order (eviction notice, subpoena, etc.).
- One officer was providing/deploying equipment (flares, traffic cones, etc.).

Weapons. Offenders used firearms to kill 49 of the 60 victim officers. Three officers were killed with vehicles used as weapons. Eight officers were killed by the offender's use of personal weapons (hand, fists, feet, etc.).

Suspects. Law enforcement agencies identified 51 alleged assailants in connection with the felonious line-of-duty deaths.

- 10 of the assailants had prior criminal arrests.
- Two of the offenders were under judicial supervision at the times of the felonious incidents.

Accidental Deaths

Fifty-eight law enforcement officers were killed accidentally while performing their duties in 2022, an increase of 2 when compared with the 56 officers accidentally killed in 2021. The majority (35 officers) were killed in motor vehicle crashes.

Officer Profile. The average age of officers who were accidentally killed was 39 years old; the average number of years the victim officers had served in law enforcement was 11.

Circumstances. The 58 officers accidentally killed died in a variety of scenarios:

- 35 died as a result of motor vehicle crashes.
- 13 were pedestrian officers struck by vehicles.
- Six officers were in an aircraft crash.
- Two officers were killed in a fall.

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Two died as a result of a firearm-related incident.

Use of seatbelts. Of the 31 officers killed in motor vehicle crashes (not including ATVs and motorcycles), six were wearing seatbelts. Data about seatbelt usage was not reported for 25 of the officers.

Law Enforcement Officers Killed and Assaulted, Part I, 2022.

Release schedule. The May 5 release provides three categories of data. These categories include data and statistics concerning officers feloniously and accidentally killed, and statistics about federal officers killed and/or assaulted. The remaining portions of the information, which present data reported to the FBI concerning law enforcement officers assaulted in the line of duty in 2022, will be released in the fall.

LEOKA 2022 data is available exclusively on the FBI's Law Enforcement Data Explorer (a subset of the Crime Data Explorer). Resources; LEOKA

CYBER THREATS

Cyberattacks on health care are increasing. Inside one hospital's fight to recover



NPR reports it was October 2021 and the staff at Johnson Memorial Health were hoping they could finally catch their breaths. They were just coming out of a weeks-long surge of COVID hospitalizations and deaths, fueled by the Delta variant. But on Friday, October 1, at 3 a.m., the hospital CEO's phone rang with an urgent call. "I remember like it was yesterday," says Dr. David Dunkle, CEO of the health system based in Franklin, Indiana. "My chief of nursing said, 'Well, it looks like we got hacked.'" The information technology team at Johnson

Memorial discovered a ransomware group had infiltrated the health system's networks.

The hackers left a ransom note on every server, demanding the hospital pay \$3 million in Bitcoin in the next few days. The note was signed by the "Hive," a prominent ransomware group that has targeted more than 1,500 hospitals, school districts and financial firms in over 80 countries, according to the U.S. Department of Justice. Johnson Memorial was just one victim in a rising wave of cyberattacks on hospitals across the country. One study found that cyberattacks on U.S. health care facilities more than doubled between 2016 and 2022. In the aftermath, the focus frequently falls on the risk of confidential patient information being exposed, but these attacks can also leave hospitals hemorrhaging millions of dollars in the months that follow, and also cause disruptions to patient care, potentially putting lives at stake. In Indiana alone, 27 hospitals were hit by cyberattacks between 2010 and 2023, according to data provided by the Indiana Hospital Association. Source; NPR For more click-on this link: <https://www.npr.org/sections/health-shots/2023/05/08/1172569347/cyberattacks-on-health-care-are-increasing-inside-one-hospitals-fight-to-recover>

PUBLIC SAFETY



One way to prevent gun violence? Treat it as a public health issue

Dr. Deborah Prothrow-Stith was working in an emergency room as a medical student more than four decades ago when she realized that victims of violence were getting treated and then released — unlike other patients — without any sort of preventative care. "And one night, at 3:00 in the morning, a young man just very specifically said to me that he was going to go out and cut the guy who cut him," she says. "I thought, this is not adequate. My response is not adequate. My profession's response is not adequate."

Prothrow-Stith has played a key role in defining youth violence as a public health issue in the years since (her 1991 book

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Deadly Consequences is considered a classic in the field). That means focusing on prevention efforts — not only in emergency rooms, but in doctor's offices and schools, too. And guns are increasingly a part of that conversation.

Prothrow-Stith, who is dean and professor of medicine at the Charles R. Drew University of Medicine and Science in Los Angeles, remembers that when she first started out, stabbings were "the number-one way that young men were killed" in Philadelphia. The picture of violence changed dramatically in a matter of years. "Guns in America play a huge role, especially as we start looking at weapons of war being available and the mass shootings that are taking place," Prothrow-Stith tells Morning Edition's Michel Martin.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recorded 48,830 U.S. firearm deaths in 2021, the last year for which complete data is available. Those include suicides — which have long accounted for the majority of U.S. gun deaths — as well as homicides.

Culturally, suicide is more common in white America and homicide more common in Black America, Prothrow-Stith notes. But she stresses that violence in general is a learned behavior. "We don't come out of the womb ready to commit suicide or homicide," she adds. "And I think as a culture, [we need an] understanding that children who are hurt, hurt others or hurt themselves. And our job is not to give them a gun, but our job is to figure out how to help them heal."

The role of guns in America, as told by a doctor

Prothrow-Stith says it's clear that guns turn "an everyday emotional situation" into fatal encounters. "We know that sometimes people act differently when they have a gun in a situation, feeling invincible or escalating a situation that they might otherwise de-escalate," she added. And at least when it comes to teenagers, she says, there are some similarities in the contributing factors that can lead to homicide and suicide.

Most homicides are the result of arguments between people who know each other, whether family members, friends or romantic partners, she says. "I remember some youth workers saying, 'Well, it doesn't surprise me that he killed somebody because he didn't care anything about himself, so why would he care anything about anybody else?'" Prothrow-Stith says. "If you think about that, not caring anything about yourself is a symptom of depression. It's a symptom of a clinical illness and should be explored that way."

What preventing gun violence could look like

How would prevention work from a public health perspective? Prothrow-Stith uses the analogy of cigarette smoking and lung cancer.

First, there's primary prevention, which involves informing the general public of the consequences of smoking. The second phase is helping smokers quit, and the third is treatment for those who have lung cancer. When it comes to gun violence, Prothrow-Stith says the primary phase should be raising awareness and trying to increase safety.

The secondary phase is about understanding the risk factors. "How do we help children who are hurt, either because they're victims of violence or they're witnessing violence, especially domestic violence or gang violence, on a regular basis?" she asks. "How do we help them heal from the anger, the guilt, the pain, but also give them the strategies to move forward?"

Programs like "Big Brothers Big Sisters" are a great example of a secondary intervention because they give kids distractions, purpose and opportunities. Don't underestimate the power of staying busy, Prothrow-Stith adds.

She shares the story of a high school student who, when asked how he stayed out of trouble, said he played football even though he didn't especially like it. Sports gave him an excuse to stay late and bail out of late-night social events as needed. "He had developed his own strategies for dealing with the peer pressure," she says. "Those are the things that are very, very important for kids 'in the thick', if you will."

Focus on what works: an assault weapons ban

Many people are used to thinking about guns as a political issue rather than a public health issue. But Prothrow-Stith says a more productive way to talk about it would be to start where the U.S. has seen success in the past: in banning assault weapons from 1994 to 2004.

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Studies have shown a decrease in gun massacre deaths during the decade the federal ban was in place — and an increase after it expired, which Prothrow-Stith attributes to the gun industry strategically "flood[ing] the market" with assault weapons.

There are many more deaths in mass shootings when high-powered assault weapons are available, she adds. "They are like the movies and the sequel where more people get killed in the sequel than in the first movie with these assault weapons, weapons of war," she says. "We are seeing more and more people killed with each episode." Practically speaking, guns are here to stay in the U.S., Prothrow-Stith says. "But we don't need assault weapons," she adds. "And I think we just zero in on that argument. And I think that's a matter of time."

Back to the cigarette analogy. Prothrow-Stith remembers that smoking was ubiquitous and glamorous when she was a kid, and that it took roughly half a century after the first report on its health effects for the public understanding to follow. She is confident that the U.S. will have the same transformation with guns. "It is time again to treat this epidemic, reduce our rates and stay with it," she says. "We've done it before. We can do it again ... just make our children safer." Source: NPR

NATIONAL

(U) Texas: Mass Shooting at Outlet Mall in Allen, Texas Leaves Eight Dead; Suspect Deceased

(U) According to a Joint Regional Intelligence Center (JRIC) Notification dated 08 MAY 23, on 06 MAY 23, USPER Mauricio Garcia, 33, stepped out of a silver sedan and opened fire on shoppers at the USBUS Allen Premium Outlets in Allen, Texas, killing eight and wounding seven. Three injured people remain in critical condition and four are in stable condition.



(U) Image from (L) to (R) of tactical vest and USPER Mauricio Garcia

(U) An Allen Police Department officer handling an unrelated call at the mall responded to the sound of gunfire, followed the sound, and fatally shot the suspect.

(U) The suspect wore a tactical vest and was armed with an AR-15 and a handgun. In addition, investigators found several handguns, long guns, and ammunition inside his vehicle at the scene. Authorities have not released a motive or additional details leading up to the shooting incident.

(U) From 2016-2020, the suspect worked as a private security guard for at least three security companies, which provided him with firearms training as part of the security guard licensure process. He also served briefly in the US Army in 2008 but was removed during basic training due to mental health concerns.

(U) Possible Motive and Social Media Postings

(U//FOUO) While a motive for the 06 MAY 23 shooting has not been confirmed, social media accounts possibly associated to the suspect reveal postings utilizing lexicon and images associated with Incel Violent Extremist and Racially or Ethnically Motivated Violent Extremist – White Supremacist (RMVE-WS) rhetoric.

(U//FOUO) Additionally, the shooter's tactical vest displayed a patch with the "RWDS" (right wing death squad) acronym imposed on a Nazi SS divisional shield, frequently used by RMVE-WS adherents as well as other Anti-Government or Anti-Authority Violent Extremist adherents.

(U//FOUO) The suspect also reportedly posted images of firearms, tactical gear, bullets, knives, and shooting range targets.

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(U) Active Shooter Indicators

(U) Active shooters pre-plan their attacks and select crowded locations to maximize the number of casualties.

(U//FOUO) Active shooter incidents in locations with few ingress and egress areas, high occupancy, and few security measures result in the highest number of casualties.

(U//FOUO) Indicators of prior shooting incidents include:

- (U//FOUO) Overt airing of grievances and increasing advocacy of violence,
- (U//FOUO) History of mental instability and/or elevated stress due to a significant event (employment/marital/family problems); and
- (U//FOUO) Signs of deep-rooted alienation or attraction to radical agendas. (JRIC, Notification, Reference Number: 54dd-4a85-ae88-405e8e24ecab, 08 MAY 23) Source: Army Threat Integration Center (ARTIC)

The Texas mall shooter ranted against Jews, women and racial minorities on apparent social media page. Reports of a social media page appearing to belong to a gunman who killed eight people at a Dallas-area outlet mall had shared extremist beliefs with rants against Jews, women and racial minorities posted since September, as well as posts about struggling with mental health. Mauricio Garcia, 33, maintained a profile on the Russian social networking platform OK.ru, including posts referring to extremist online forums, such as 4chan, and content from white nationalists, including Nick Fuentes, an antisemitic white nationalist provocateur. In the weeks before the attack, Garcia posted more than two dozen photos of Allen Premium Outlets, where an officer killed him after the shooting Saturday, and surrounding areas, including several screenshots of Google location information, seemingly monitoring the mall at its busiest times. Many of his posts referred to his mental health. In his final post, he lamented what his family might say and wrote that no psychologist would have been able to fix him. In another post, he made disturbing comments about what makes a mass shooting "important" and praised a person who opened fire at a private Christian school in Nashville, Tennessee, this year, killing six people, including three children.

Analyst Note The gunman in the Texas mall shooting had eight legally obtained weapons – three on him, five in his vehicle. The attack comes less than a year after a gunman opened fire at a mall in Greenwood, Indiana, killing three people and injuring two others. A few months before that, last April, a shooter at a mall in Columbia, South Carolina, injured 14 people. Shopping malls offer a vulnerable target for mass shooters and a near-impossible task for security, since droves of people often converge through multiple entry points with easy access. Moreover, efforts to better secure malls with metal detectors or additional security guards risk pushback from developers and stores forced to bear added costs as well as customers faced with the inconvenience of airport-style lines and armed surveillance, they added. Retail locations make up the second-most common site of mass shootings, accounting for nearly 17% of mass shootings recorded between 1966 and 2021, according to a previous analysis of data compiled by The Violence Project. The nation's roughly 700 malls are part of a category referred to as "soft targets," which includes religious institutions, restaurants and other locations. Sources: DHS & ABC News

Key Information Going Forward:

"Moving into summer events, whether at informal crowded places like parks and malls or structured festivities such as concerts or farmer's markets, many will be recalling the Fourth of July parade mass shooting last year in Highland Park — where the shooter fired from a store rooftop in order to bypass security presence on the ground, used the elevated position to target victims, and slipped away with the chaotic crowd before his apprehension eight hours later — and wondering what precautions are necessary to keep people safer. Unfortunately, actors with ill intent may simultaneously be thinking about how to emulate such an attack in their own areas. This makes a multilayered security approach all the more essential: identifying potential bad actors in the planning stages along with their attempts to acquire weapons, ensuring that risk assessment of a venue, or event includes factors such as places that by nature have a lack of access control or other "soft" spots, incorporating a range of potential threats in planning from active shooters and explosives to chemical or biological threats, fostering relationships with law enforcement agencies and taking advantage of

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preparedness grants or training programs, and through training and guidance making sure that employees and attendees are prepared for the worst.” Source; Excerpt from Homeland Security Today article

**For more detailed analysis on this shooting we recommend reading the article below on the shooters possible Tactics Techniques & Procedures that may have been a factor.

Allen Outlets Mass Shooting Illustrates High Risk for Outdoor Soft Targets

<https://www.hstoday.us/featured/allen-outlets-mass-shooting-illustrates-high-risk-for-outdoor-soft-targets/>

(U) Georgia: A Former US Coast Guard Member Conducted a Mass Shooting at an Atlanta Hospital

(U) According to open-source reporting, on 03 MAY 23, an individual identified as USPER Deion Duwane Patterson, 24, conducted a mass shooting in a waiting room located on the 11th floor of the USBUS Northside Hospital Medical Midtown facility in Atlanta, Georgia, killing one individual and injuring four others. According to reporting, after the shooting Patterson fled the scene, stole a vehicle, and drove north towards Cobb County, Georgia. According to further reporting, law enforcement received a tip surrounding Patterson’s whereabouts and were able to locate and arrest Patterson at a suburban condo complex in Cobb County. According to reporting, Patterson was on the run for approximately eight hours before being arrested by law enforcement. (Open Source, 04 MAY 23; Open Source, 04 MAY 23; Open Source, 04 MAY 23; Open Source, 05 MAY 23; Open Source, 05 MAY 23; Open Source, 05 MAY 23)



(U) According to open-source reporting, Patterson was seeking treatment at the USBUS Northside Hospital Medical Midtown facility after being dissatisfied with care that he received from the USBUS US Department of Veterans Affairs. Reportedly, when doctors refused to give Patterson medicine, he became angry, pulled out his handgun and began firing at individuals. (Open Source, 04 MAY 23; Open Source, 04 MAY 23; Open Source, 04 MAY 23; Open Source, 05 MAY 23; Open Source, 05 MAY 23; Open Source, 04 MAY 23)

(CUI) *ARTIC Analyst Comment:* According to open-source reporting, Patterson has been charged with murder and four counts of aggravated assault. The ARTIC notes that although a motive has not been identified, open-source reporting indicated that Patterson had been mentally unstable since he left the US Coast Guard in January 2023 and was attempting to get help at the USBUS Northside Hospital Medical Midtown facility. Reportedly, Patterson served in the US Coast Guard from 2018 and was discharged in January 2023.

However, reporting does not indicate why Patterson was discharged. According to reporting, Patterson served as an electrician’s mate second class before being discharged. (Open Source, 04 MAY 23; Open Source, 04 MAY 23; Open Source, 04 MAY 23; Open Source, 05 MAY 23; Open Source, 05 MAY 23)

(CUI) According to separate reporting, the Bureau of Labor Statistics reported that the rate of injuries from violent attacks against medical professionals grew by 63 percent from 2011 to 2018, and aggression against staff escalated as the COVID-19 pandemic intensified in 2020. Reportedly, the reasons for the aggression vary: patients’ anger and confusion about their medical conditions and care; grief over the decline of hospitalized loved ones; frustration while trying to get attention amid staffing shortages, especially in nursing; delirium and dementia; mental health disorders; political and social issues; and gender and race discrimination. (Open Source, 18 AUG 22) Source; Army Threat Integration Center (ARTIC)

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8 deaths in Allen, 1 in Atlanta, Texas/Atlanta; US sees acceleration of mass shootings & Soft Targets



Reports of the mass shooting in Allen, Texas, in which eight people died and seven were injured Saturday is the 22nd mass killing in the U.S. this year. That means 2023 could be one of the deadliest years in fatal shootings in recent history, in both number of victims and attacks. The database maintained by USA TODAY, The Associated Press, and Northeastern University tracks all mass killings in the U.S. since 2006. It includes every mass killing from all weapons in which four or more people, excluding the offender, were killed within a 24-hour time frame. The eight deaths at the Allen outdoor mall were the second-highest of such incidents in 2023.

Eleven people were killed in a shooting in a ballroom dance studio in Monterey Park, California, on Jan. 21. The data also shows that six public fatal shootings were reported in the first third of 2023. That's as many as in all of 2012. It's also greater than the total number of such shootings in 11 of the 18 years tracked by the database. USA Today [5/8/2023 4:06 PM, Grace Hauck, 4261K, Negative] reports that in a given year, the U.S. typically sees six mass shootings in a public place, and the most the country has ever witnessed was 10 in a year, according to James Alan Fox, a professor at Northeastern University who has studied mass killings for 40 years. The massacre at Premium Outlets in Allen, Texas, on Saturday already marks the sixth public mass killing of 2023 — about one third of the way through the calendar year:

Texas is one of two states in the U.S. that has seen 17 mass shootings so far this year. The other is California. There have been 22 mass killings in 2023, defined as four or more people killed, not including the perpetrator, according to the USA TODAY/Northeastern University/Associated Press Mass Killings Database. The Hill reports that this year, according to GVA's tracker, there have been 202 incidents in which four or more people — other than the attacker — were shot. In the past two years, the U.S. crossed 200 mass shootings in mid-May and, in 2020 and 2019, didn't reach 200 until mid-to-late June.

Between 2016 and 2018, the country passed 200 mass shootings in late July. The GVA tracker logged three shooting incidents Saturday, including the incident at Allen Premium Outlets in Texas, where a gunman killed eight people and injured seven others before being fatally shot by police. Sources USA Today, NE Univ, AP & the Hill

Analyst Comment The Department of Homeland Security's (DHS) initial review of the incident identified specific vulnerability factors that increased the lethality and effectiveness of the attack, such as the perpetrator's use of a nearby elevated and publicly accessible location to avoid venue security, and the lack of accessible escape routes for the large crowds. To mitigate the impacts of potential future attacks, publicly available mass gathering areas are encouraged to conduct periodic vulnerability assessments to identify potential areas of concern and develop emergency action plans for individuals to take in the event of an incident. Source: Over the Road-Bus Intelligence Awareness Daily (OTRBIAD) Report.



**PUBLIC SAFETY & SECURITY
(U//FOUO) Intensified Threats of Violence Against the LGBTQIA+ Community**

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(U//FOUO) Domestic violent extremists (DVEs) and hate crime actors have intensified threats of violence against the LGBTQIA+ community during the last year, and many likely are driven by perceptions of sociopolitical issues related to this community. These issues include actions linked to drag-themed events, gender-affirming care, and LGBTQIA+ curricula in schools.

- (U//FOUO) Posts on online platforms that feature DVE content have leveraged current events to call for violence based on claims that the LGBTQIA+ community is a threat to society, particularly children. Following the March shooting at an elementary school in Nashville, Tennessee, perpetrated by a transgender person, users in an online forum called for “open season” on the LGBTQIA+ community, and one poster advocated for shooting members of the community “before they shoot us,” according to DHS open-source reporting and an organization that monitors violent extremism online.

- (U//FOUO) A broad range of threat actors have been linked to violent threats targeting the LGBTQIA+ community, including DVEs who adhere to conspiracy theories, racially or ethnically motivated violent extremists (RMVEs), and other threat actors with personalized or hate-based grievances. For example, the alleged perpetrator of an attack on an LGBTQIA+ nightclub in Colorado in 2022 ran a website that hosted violent content glorifying a prior RMVE attack, according to a detective involved in the case. Additionally, days after the Nashville attack, an individual in Maryland was arrested and is now awaiting trial for threatening an LGBTQIA+ advocacy group with violence in retaliation for the attack, stating, “[I]f you want a war, we’ll have a war.”

- (U//FOUO) We often lack reporting detailing the specific motivations of individuals seeking to target the LGBTQIA+ community, which complicates our ability to determine which actors may pose a more immediate or credible threat. According to FBI’s hate crime statistics, approximately 20 percent of all hate crimes reported nationwide in 2021 were motivated by bias related to sexual orientation or gender identity.

(U//FOUO) The range of issues inspiring threats and calls for violence against the LGBTQIA+ community likely increases the potential for attacks against a broader set of targets. In addition to upcoming Pride Month celebration events in June, individuals could seek to commit violence against targets such as public spaces and healthcare facilities that they perceive to be associated with the LGBTQIA+ community. This underscores the importance of sharing relevant threat information with this community and organizations potentially tied to LGBTQIA+ issues.

- (U//FOUO) Violence has occurred at lawful demonstrations and other public events linked to LGBTQIA+ issues, according to media reporting. In June 2022, 31 alleged members of the white supremacist group Patriot Front/USPER were arrested by local police in Idaho on conspiracy to riot charges for allegedly planning to disrupt a Pride event that they believed was intended to corrupt children, according to press reporting and a video released by the group.

- (U//FOUO) On 31 March, a RMVE was arrested and is now charged for allegedly attempting to use an improvised incendiary device to burn down a church in Ohio that was planning to host a drag-themed event. The RMVE told authorities that he wanted “to protect the children and stop the drag show event,” according to the DOJ criminal complaint.

(U//FOUO) Potential for Violence Inspired by Recent Attack in Nashville, Tennessee

(U//FOUO) High-profile attacks against schools and faith-based institutions like the recent shooting in Nashville have historically served as inspiration for individuals to conduct copycat attacks. Some social media users have celebrated the attack, according to DHS open-source reporting, and although the attacker’s motive is still under investigation, personal journals of the attacker reportedly mentioned prior mass casualty attacks, according to media reporting citing a law enforcement news release. Days after the Nashville attack, a transgender person from Elbert, Colorado, was arrested for allegedly plotting a string of attacks targeting schools and churches in Colorado. Although the motive in the Colorado case is under investigation, the arrested individual also allegedly had a manifesto that mentioned other mass casualty attackers, according to state court documents.

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INTERNATIONAL

Half of North Korean Missile Program Funded by Cyberattacks and Crypto Theft, White House Says



About half of North Korea's missile program has been funded by cyberattacks and cryptocurrency theft, a White House official said Tuesday. A sweeping US federal government effort is ongoing to understand how "a country like [North Korea] is so darn creative in this space," Anne Neuberger, deputy national security adviser for cyber and emerging technology, said at an event hosted by the nonprofit Special Competitive Studies Project. US intelligence agencies are working to identify North Korean operatives and the Treasury is tracing stolen cryptocurrency, Neuberger said, adding that the Biden administration is "putting a lot of time and thought" into the

problem. It's an estimate that suggests hacking and cybercrime are key to the North Korean regime's survival. Source: CNN, 5/10/2023

Analyst Comment A White House official stated on Tuesday that nearly half of North Korea's missile program has been funded by cybercriminal operations. The Deputy National Security Adviser for Cyber and Emerging Technology, Anne Neuberger, said at a nonprofit event that the U.S. has undertaken an effort into understanding how North Korea has been so successful in cryptocurrency theft and ransomware. In February, the United Nations (UN) shared a report with Reuters that estimated North Korean threat actors stole a record number of cryptocurrencies worth more than \$630 million. Chainalysis also released a report that noted 2022 "was the worst [year] on record for cryptocurrency heists, with hackers stealing as much as \$3.8 billion, led by attackers linked to North Korea." According to Chainalysis, October 2022 was the most detrimental month for cryptocurrency investors, during which hackers stole \$775.7 million worth of virtual assets in 32 different attacks. The UN report said that in 2022 these hackers targeted the networks of foreign aerospace and defense companies and used "increasingly sophisticated techniques to gain access to digital networks involved in cyberfinance." It is widely believed, among global intelligence, cyber, and policy professionals, that the money stolen and laundered from these attacks "is key to the North Korean regime's survival." The U.S. has aided in international investigations to try and disrupt affiliated threat actors from successfully laundering the stolen profits. In February, Norway's National Authority for Investigation and Prosecution of Economic and Environmental Crime announced that with the help of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), they were able to recover \$5.8 million dollars of virtual assets stolen from Axie Infinity's Ronin network bridge. The FBI linked the attack to the Lazarus Group, notorious for targeting critical infrastructure sectors like energy, finance, defense, aerospace, and healthcare. The U.N. report referred to the North Korean-linked threat actor as one of the main culprits for the nation's increase in hackings. Source: Surface Transportation & Public Transportation ISAC Transit & Rail Intelligence Awareness Daily Report (TRIAD)



Canadian Man Charged with Aiding Suicide

Police in Canada arrested an Ontario man last week for selling a lethal substance online to individuals at risk of self-harm. The man allegedly sold sodium nitrite (NaO2), a white, chemical substance that is commonly used in food preservation and meat curing but could potentially lead to death when ingested in sufficient quantities. Investigators said the man sent at least 1,200 packages to over 40 countries. According to FBI reporting, as of 03 May 2023, approximately 25 individuals within the New York area of responsibility were listed as purchasers of sodium nitrite-based "suicide kits." Of the 25 individuals identified, 9 were deceased and 1 was unaccounted for.

Analyst Assessment The FBI is asking responders who have information that could assist with determining the prevalence of sodium nitrite use for deaths by suicide or distribution paths and networks in the US to contact them via Tips.fbi.gov or 1-800-CALL-FBI. Also this week, a man in Burke County, NC was arrested for leaving two pipe bombs at

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a local church. The man's family made a statement that the bombs contained sugar, baking soda, stump remover (saltpeter/potassium nitrate/ KNO_3), and sodium nitrate ($NaNO_3$). Both sodium nitrite and sodium nitrate are white salts which may be confused at a scene. If in doubt to the significance of a found substance, call for assistance and consider having law enforcement record the scene via their body cams. Source: Watchline@fdny.nyc.gov

(U) Serbia: A Thirteen-Year-Old Conducts a Mass Shooting at an Elementary School



(U) According to open-source reporting, on the morning of 03 MAY 23, a 13-year-old boy (subject) carried out a shooting attack at Vladislav Ribnikar elementary school, a school the subject allegedly attended in Belgrade, Serbia. Reportedly, eight students, seven girls and one boy, and one security guard were killed during the attack. Additionally, six other classmates, two girls and four boys, and a teacher were injured, some critically. (Open Source, 03 MAY 23; Open Source, 03 MAY 23)

(U) According to reporting, the subject carried out the shooting using two handguns that he carried in his backpack. Upon entering the school, the subject fired first at the school security guard and then three students in a hallway. The subject then reportedly went to

a nearby classroom, close to the school entrance and fired first at the teacher and then continually at the students who hid behind desks. Many of the other students were able to flee the school through a back door. (Open Source, 03 MAY 23; Open Source, 03 MAY 23)

(U) According to additional reporting, the subject called police after the shooting to report that he had shot individuals in school. Police officials stated during the call, the subject said, "he is a psychopath who needs to calm down," adding that he "was caught by fear and panic and funny breathing, and that it was the right thing to call the police and report the event." Police reportedly were aware of the shooting having received an emergency call two minutes prior. The subject was apprehended by police without incident and placed in a psychiatric institution. (Open Source, 03 MAY 23; Open Source, 03 MAY 23)

(CUI) *ARTIC Analyst Comment:* According to reporting, authorities discovered the subject in the school's courtyard with two guns and four improvised incendiary devices described as Molotov cocktails in his jacket pockets at the time of his arrest. Reportedly, the two guns used in the shooting were legally owned by his father, a well-known radiologist, and properly secured according to strict Serbian law. The subject was known to target shoot with his father at a local shooting range and apparently knew the security codes to retrieve the locked weapons. Both the subject's mother and father were detained by police and his father arrested on suspicion of endangering public safety. (Open Source, 03 MAY 23; Open Source, 03 MAY 23)

(CUI) According to further reporting, the subject meticulously planned the attack at least one month prior. Authorities indicated the subject drew sketches of classrooms and made a list of children he intended to target. He also reportedly befriended the security guard. (Open Source, 04 MAY 23; Open Source, 03 MAY 23)

(U) According to open-source reporting, authorities have not determined a motive for the shooting. However, some reports indicate the subject wanted to be moved to another class where his friends were located and that he was upset over grades received in some coursework. According to additional reporting, the subject cannot be criminally charged because he is under the age of 14 as per state law and social services will determine what will happen with the subject. (Open Source, 04 MAY 23; Open Source, 03 MAY 23)

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The New ISIS: How a Branch of the Terrorist Group Is Becoming a Top Threat

<https://www.military.com/daily-news/2023/05/12/new-isis-how-branch-of-terrorist-group-becoming-top-threat.html>

U.S. Domestic Terrorism Prosecutions: The Reality Behind the Government's Inflated Numbers

<https://www.justsecurity.org/86456/u-s-domestic-terrorism-prosecutions-the-reality-behind-the-governments-inflated-numbers/>

Portland restores traffic division after fatal crashes rise to highest number in 30 years

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California, other states with strong 'Defund the Police' movements ranked best to be a cop, new study claims

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How AR-15-style rifles write the tragic history of America's mass shootings

<https://www.npr.org/2023/05/10/1175065043/mass-shootings-america-ar-15-rifle>

40 Arrested in Major Cargo Theft Operation Responsible for Over \$150M in Stolen Goods

<https://www.audacy.com/knxnews/news/state/40-arrested-in-major-cargo-theft-operation?sm=au=isVMWNHD60rfNgg7>

How to get the most value out of roll call during National Police Week

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Subject: SSRIG Weekly Intelligence Summary 32- 2023 (August 25, 2023)
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[SSRIG Weekly Summary 32-2023.pdf](#)

	<p style="text-align: center;">South Sound Regional Intelligence Group SSRIG email: PCINTEL@piercecounitywa.gov Weekly Summary</p> <p>#32-2023 August 25, 2023</p>	
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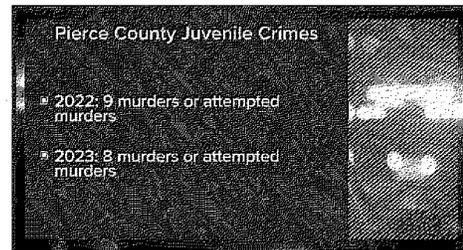


Law enforcement concerned by rise in juvenile violence

TACOMA, Wash. - Will the youth violence we saw this summer in Western Washington spill over to the start of the school year? In the last three months, crimes involving young people have become more common and more dangerous.

This latest high-profile violent crime highlights an increase in juvenile crime across Pierce County. Data from the Pierce County Prosecutor's Office showed the number of juvenile murder or attempted murder cases this year is eight, just shy of 2022's total of nine. Some of the crimes with the biggest increase are attempting to elude a police vehicle and the number of stolen car charges. There have been 101 robbery-related cases by the end of July. There were 64 cases in all of 2022. "We're seeing the same trends too," said Casey McNerthey, spokesperson for the King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office.

According to the Pierce County Sheriff's Office, it's every single day. The concerning part is the gravity of these crimes. They're not just stealing from a local convenience shop—more of these cases involve grand theft and using firearms. Just Wednesday afternoon, Tacoma Police Department said one of its detectives was working near South Hosmer and Steele Street when they were shot. Police later arrested two teenagers who were hiding under a deck in someone's backyard. The suspects' ages are 14 and 15 years old. A very grown-up crime involving children is a situation local law enforcement continues to see. "Two weeks ago, we had another car full of kids shoot at a Tacoma Police officer," said Sgt. Darren Moss with the Pierce County Sheriff's Department. "I have no idea why they would even think it'd be okay to do



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that. But right now, the kids don't think - they're not scared of anything. They think they have nothing to live for or that there's no consequences to their actions. And unfortunately, a lot of them are finding this out the hard way when it's too late."

RELATED: 2 teens in custody after Tacoma Police detective shot near Hosmer Street Sgt. Moss said because of the severity of these crimes, many of these young people will be charged as an adult instead of a juvenile. "It's not a game," Sgt. Moss said. "These kids, they're not going to be going home. There's no prize for what they're doing. Robbing a liquor store and getting \$100—that's not setting your family up for life. They're not winning the lotto or anything like that. All they're doing is causing mayhem in their own communities." Earlier this week, an 18-year-old and another adult shot and killed each other near a bus stop in Parkland.



RELATED: 2 people dead in Parkland bus stop shooting "A verbal argument turns into both of you dying over absolutely nothing," Sgt. Moss said. "And that's the kind of thing that we're seeing, and it's like, this is not okay. What is going on in these kids' minds that it's such impulsive behavior?" Every incident involving young people begs the question as to why this keeps happening, and why kids and teenagers are willing to put their futures on the line. "School's out, it's always busier in the summer," said Moss. "But I don't see these crimes disappearing when we go back to school, because the kids that are doing them probably won't be going to school."

Between parents, schools and local authorities, Sgt. Moss said the responsibility falls on everyone in order to change the trajectory. "It's everything, it's all hands-on deck at this point," Sgt. Moss said. "You can look to law enforcement, but no one wants us in their home. You don't want me in your home disciplining your child, and that's not what we're here for." An update from Tacoma Police Department regarding the detective who was shot Wednesday. They are still in the hospital recovering. We don't know when they will be able to leave yet, but they are stable.

Juvenile crime is a problem in King County too. Monday, Seattle police said four teenagers were involved in a chase with a stolen car in Rainier Beach. None of them are old enough to drive, only 12 and 13 years old.

Police tried to pull over the car in the 2700 block of Rainier Avenue South, but the driver started trying to get away and sped up as they went through a parking lot. At that point, officers suspended their efforts to stop the car, but a short time later, tried to pull it over again near the intersection of South Walker Street and Martin Luther King Junior Way South. When the driver made a turn onto a road but another car was in the way, the suspect suddenly stopped. All four people in the car got out and ran, leaving the car in drive with all of its doors open. Officers ran after them and took three of the four suspects into custody. The fourth suspect was last seen running north on 29th Avenue South. Police said the car had been reported stolen only an hour earlier.

The three suspects turned out to be boys — two 13-year-olds and one 12-year-old. All were arrested for obstruction. The two 13-year-olds were also arrested for eluding a police vehicle. One of the 13-year-old boys was also arrested for possession of a stolen vehicle and booked into the King County Child and Family Justice Center. The other two boys were released to their parents.

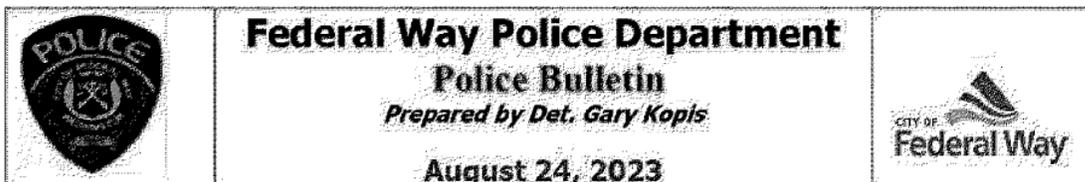
When teens find themselves in trouble, a recent state law requires officers to connect them to an attorney before questioning. "It's really clear that those kids were not understanding what was happening, that the situation was too stressful, too overwhelming," said Liz Mustin, managing attorney for the Washington Youth Access Counsel Program with the Washington State of Public Defense. "Sometimes, frankly, the language of Miranda warnings is too complex for kids to understand." The law went into effect in January 2022 and put a hotline in place with four attorneys on call 24/7 for consultations. A majority of the calls were answered in under a minute with attorneys helping juveniles understand the rights they already have. "We have the opportunity to speak with kids in some of their toughest times and really help them kind of re-center, bring them down and be able to make smart decisions and be able to interact respectfully and in a way that doesn't harm them in the future," Mustin said.

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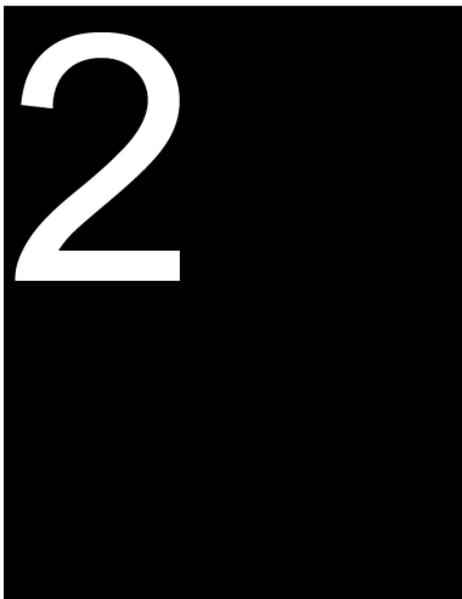
The hotline has connected 3,395 minors with an attorney. "I think one thing that this law does that's really wonderful is really evens the playing field for kids who would have no means to access an attorney," Mustin said.

Sources; Pierce County Sheriff's Department, Tacoma Police, Q-13 FOX News, King 5 News and KIRO 7 News

OFFICER SAFETY



**Attempt to Locate
Wanted Subject - \$750,000 Warrant -DV Kidnapping 1,
DV Assault 2, DV Felony Order Violation
FWPD 23-10038**



Name: Gary D. Boyd JR
DOB: 5/21/87
Race: American Indian
Height: 5'10"
Weight: 202
Eyes: Brown
Hair: Brown
LKA: 601 E 70th St Tacoma, WA
98445

King County Superior Court has issued a full extradition \$750,000 arrest warrant for Gary Boyd for the above crimes committed against the victim, Corrina Harris, on 8/19/23.

On 8/20/23 at about 0300 hours, Tacoma PD located Gary and the vehicle used during the commission of these crimes and a pursuit ensued. Gary subsequently crashed his vehicle along I5, suffered significant injuries, and was transported to St. Joseph Hospital in Tacoma where he

underwent surgery. Gary fled from the hospital on 8/21/23 prior to being discharged.

Gary has allegedly stated he will not go back to prison and would "SUICIDE BY COP" if he has to. Please use caution if you locate him.

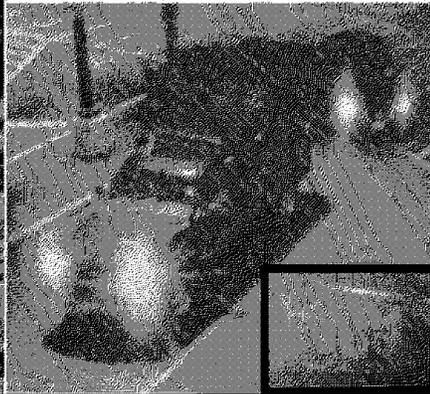
If Gary is located, please confirm the warrant, arrest and book on the warrant, and notify Detective Kopsis @ 253-835-6778 or email: gary.kopsis@cityoffederalway.com.

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OFFICER AWARENESS

	LAKEWOOD POLICE DEPARTMENT CRIME BULLETIN	
ATE: 25 AUGUST 2023 CASE NUMBER: 2322902651	CONTACT PERSON: SGT JEFF PAYNTER P: 253.830.5006 E: JPAYNTER@CITYOFLAKEWOOD.US	

Attempt to Identify



Associated
Vehicle: Blue
2001 Chevy Suburban
LIC# 827XFJ WA

On August 17 2023 at approx. 2140, the female suspect above assaulted a loss prevention officer while trying to leave Target with a cart full of items. The suspect attempted to push the cart out the emergency exit when confronted. The suspect bit one of the loss prevention officers on the hand and was able to leave with the cart. Prior to this incident, she was seen speaking to the driver of the Blue Suburban (pictured above) and appeared to be picked up by it after leaving the store with \$1,400 worth of merchandise.

When identified, there is probable cause for Robbery in the 1st.

The Suspect was also seen earlier in the day with these two individuals:



Any information, call Sergeant Jeff Paynter at 253.830.5006

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	<h1>Special Bulletin</h1> <h2>TACOMA POLICE DEPARTMENT</h2> <p>Bulletin Number: S23-157 Friday, August 25th 2023</p>	
<p>Det. J. Canion Tacoma Police Department Career Crimes Unit</p>	<p>Office (253) 830-6515 Cell (253) 606-7063 Email jcanion@cityoftacoma.org</p>	

Attempt to Identify 38th St Burglary Series Suspects
TPD CASE #'s 23-230-00321, 23-230-00316, 23-230-00421



On 08/18/23 at 5:30 AM, three business in the 38th St corridor were burglarized by the same suspects. A Seattle stolen pickup truck was used to ram through the front doors of the businesses to gain access. It is believed two Hispanic females and two Hispanic males entered the businesses and stole items before fleeing in the stolen truck. Above are the best security photos of the two Hispanic females and one of the Hispanic males who entered all three businesses.

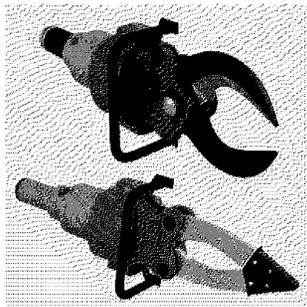
In addition to ransacking the stores for cigarettes, pipes, jewelry, and vape products, the stores' cash registers were taken. None of the suspects wore gloves. If forensics is available, please request that burglary scenes be processed for latent impressions.

If you have any information regarding the identity of the depicted persons, please contact Detective Canion at one of the phone numbers listed above or jcanion@cityoftacoma.org.

THERE IS NO PROBABLE CAUSE FOR ANYONE'S ARREST AT THIS TIME.

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Using Hydraulic Tools to Steal Police Guns



Last month, an AR-15 and ammunition were stolen from a law enforcement vehicle in Connecticut, reported the New Haven Register. Gun theft from LE vehicles is becoming more common as thieves use powerful cutting and hydraulic tools to break into secured weapons lockers inside the trunk, the CTinsider said. A trend in LE is the storing of long guns in vehicles for immediate access to respond efficiently to incidents like school shootings. According to FBI crime statistics half of all reported stolen firearms are from vehicles, this data illustrates both the rise of firearms being stored in cars and the targeting by criminals.

Analyst Assessment The FBI issued a Public Safety Awareness Report that highlighted criminals using hydraulic lifesaving equipment stolen from fire departments and warehouses to conduct ATM burglaries. In Texas, four departments reported thefts of tens of thousands of dollars of equipment such as forcible entry saws, generators and extrications tools, reported Click2Houston. An extrication tool was recovered in a suspect's car and was linked to ATM and catalytic convert thefts. Some Departments have changed policies requiring one member to safeguard the apparatus and its contents. All members should be aware that safeguarding tools is required and includes locking compartments and being aware of suspicious activity.

CYBER THREATS

Hidden dangers of public Wi-Fi



Public Wi-Fi, which has long since become the norm, poses threats to not only individual users but also businesses. With the rise of remote work, people can now work from virtually anywhere: a cafe close to home, a hotel in a different city, or even while waiting for a plane at the airport. Next, let's explore the risks of connecting to public Wi-Fi, both for you personally and for businesses.

According to the [Forbes Advisor](#) the majority of people (56%) connect to public Wi-Fi networks that don't require a password. This convenience comes at a price, and many are unaware that attackers can steal card details, passwords, and other sensitive information.

- **Man-in-the-Middle (MITM) Attacks:** This is one of the most common threats on public Wi-Fi. In an MITM attack, the hacker secretly intercepts and possibly alters the communication between two parties. The user believes they are directly communicating with a website, email server, or another user, but the hacker is relaying the information, capturing sensitive data in the process.
- **Eavesdropping:** Public Wi-Fi networks, especially those without encryption (like WPA2), allow hackers to "listen" to data being transmitted over the network. Tools like packet analyzers can capture unencrypted traffic, making it easy for hackers to extract sensitive information.
- **Rogue Hotspots:** A hacker sets up a fake Wi-Fi network, often with a name similar to a legitimate network (e.g., "CoffeeShopFreeWiFi" instead of "CoffeeShop_WiFi"). Unsuspecting users connect to this rogue hotspot, and the hacker can monitor all traffic, capturing any sensitive data transmitted.
- **Honeytrap Networks:** Similar to rogue hotspots, these are malicious networks set up to lure users. Once connected, the hacker can deploy malware or attempt to exploit vulnerabilities on the user's device.
- **Spoofing:** In a spoofing attack, the hacker impersonates another device on the network, redirecting traffic through their device. This allows them to capture and manipulate data.

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- **Session Hijacking:** Here, the attacker hijacks a session between the client and server (e.g., a login session on a website). This can allow them to gain unauthorized access to accounts or services.
- **Malware Distribution:** Public Wi-Fi can be used as a medium to distribute malware. For example, malware can be injected into software updates or downloads. Once the user's device is infected, the malware can steal information, monitor user activity, or enlist the device in a botnet.
- **Login Page Phishing:** Some public Wi-Fi networks redirect users to a login or terms acceptance page before granting access. Hackers can replicate these pages to capture login credentials or other personal information.

Protection Measures

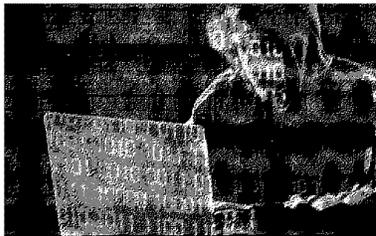
To safeguard against these threats when using public Wi-Fi:

For Hotspot Owners – leverage web filtering for Wi-Fi hotspots. You will not only protect your guests from malware and harmful resources, but you will also increase customer loyalty. By informing them that this cafe or library offers a secure Internet zone, parents can hand devices to their children without worrying about exposure to inappropriate content. Using a DNS filtering service will also allow you to gather valuable anonymized statistics about your users' preferences, which can be leveraged in marketing campaigns.

For Public Wi-Fi users:

- Implement DNS filtering services, like SafeDNS. Install a roaming client on devices and choose cybersecurity categories to block malicious websites.
- Avoid accessing sensitive sites or services, such as banking platforms.
- Turn off sharing settings on your device.
- Always forget the network after disconnecting to avoid automatic reconnections.
- Use HTTPS websites and ensure SSL/TLS is in use when transmitting sensitive data.

In summary, while public Wi-Fi offers convenience, it's crucial to be aware of its vulnerabilities and take necessary precautions to ensure data security.



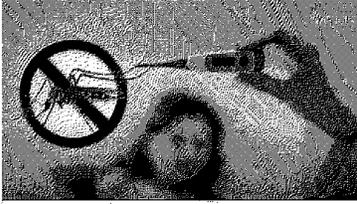
United States: Hacker Tool Used to Buy Information on Any US Person for 15\$

A 404 Media investigation found that criminals have managed to tap into credit header information, in some cases by stealing former law enforcement officer's identities, and are selling unfettered access to their criminal cohorts online. Eighty-two percent of American adults had a credit card in 2022, according to data from the Federal Reserve. In other words, the majority of the adult population, by the simple fact of how credit cards work, will have their personal information collected and stored by these bureaus.

In March, the FBI and National Counterintelligence and Security Center warned that foreign intelligence entities working for repressive regimes have sought access to private investigators in part to obtain personal information on targets in the U.S. 404 Media accessed around 10 Telegram groups where members discuss and advertise bots that offer personally identifiable data for sale. Prices fluctuate between around \$15 and \$40 depending on what type of data a customer wishes to buy, and as availability ebbs and flows. One person told a group that their tool finds anybody. **Source:** <https://www.404media.co/the-secret-weapon-hackers-can-use-to-dox-nearly-anyone-in-america-for-15-flo-usinfosearch-transunion/>

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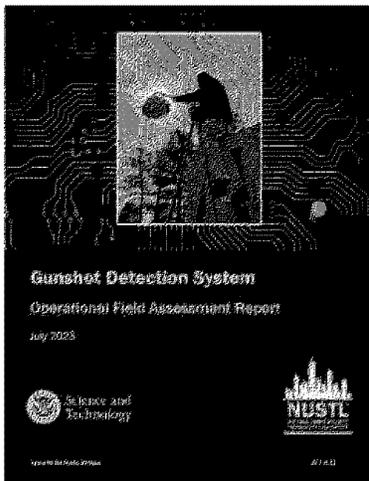
Mosquito-Borne Diseases Reemerging in US

The Eastern equine encephalitis (EEE) virus was reported in two people in Alabama, one of whom died, and in horses and mosquitoes in New York this week. The Alabama cases were reported in Baldwin County “in the past few weeks,” the state’s Department of Public Health said Monday. The New York cases were found in horses in St. Lawrence and Franklin counties and in mosquitoes in Onondaga County, the State Department of Health said Tuesday.

Approximately 30% of people with EEE die and many survivors have ongoing neurologic problems, according to the CDC. Also this week, a case of locally acquired malaria was reported in Maryland for the first time in over 40 years. Last month, the CDC issued a health advisory over the spread of eight locally acquired malaria cases in Florida and Texas.

Analyst Assessment The CDC’s predecessor, the Office of Malaria Control in War Areas, was established in 1942 to limit the impact of malaria and other vector-borne diseases during World War II around military training bases in the southern US and its territories. Its malaria eradication policy was so successful that by 1951 the disease was no longer considered to be endemic in the US. The CDC’s role now is primarily surveillance and notification of these vector-borne diseases in the US and assistance of world-wide elimination efforts. Routinely obtain a travel history for any person with a fever of unknown origin. Use insect repellent, wear long-sleeved shirts and pants, and take steps to control mosquitoes indoors and outdoors. Use screens, empty water-holding containers. Source: Watchline@fdny.nyc.gov

S&T report evaluates gunshot detection technology for first responders



The Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Science and Technology Directorate (S&T) has released an Operational Field Assessment (OFA) of a gunshot detection system developed for first responders. First used by the military to detect incoming fire, gunshot detection systems use multiple sensor units to detect and triangulate the precise location of firearm discharges. Over the last decade, law enforcement agencies in many large- and medium-sized cities have implemented gunshot detection systems. Most agencies employ fixed systems, where the sensors are installed indoors or at fixed outdoor locations to provide gunshot detection over a large, pre-defined area (often many square miles) to an accuracy of within a few feet. An October 2022 Department of Justice-funded report analyzed how agencies across the country are currently using gunshot detection systems. The report concluded that more research is still needed to show whether gunshot detection systems are effective at deterring gun violence or reducing crime, but that there are proven benefits of these systems for first responders.

Benefits to responders include significant reductions in response times and better situational awareness. Gunshot detection systems are typically integrated into computer-aided dispatch (CAD) systems, enabling real-time alerting. Since many gunshots are never reported to 911, this capability enables responders to immediately dispatch to the scene regardless of whether 911 was called. Some systems will bypass the 911 system entirely and provide alerts directly to officers. This reduces response times by several vital minutes, which gives responders a better chance at neutralizing the threat and reducing casualties. Gunshot detection systems can also provide critical situational awareness information to first responders before arrival on scene, such as precise locations where gunshots were fired and whether multiple types of gunshots were detected, suggesting multiple shooters. The gunshot detection system evaluated by S&T in the new OFA improves on the technology currently available on the market in several ways.

First, the system is designed to be portable. While there are portable systems currently on the market, S&T’s system prioritized the ease with which the technology could be installed, moved, and set up by responders without requiring more than two officers or technical expertise.

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Second, most current systems use acoustic technology to detect the sound of gunshots, but this system uses both light and sound. The system can detect the unique flash of light produced when a bullet is fired. This added light detection makes the system more accurate than systems which rely on sound alone. It is less likely to generate false positives when it detects gun-like sounds such as a vehicle misfiring or fireworks.

Six law enforcement officers from Iowa, New Hampshire, and New York served as evaluators to test and provide feedback on the gunshot detection system. These officers set up the outdoor sensors, overlaid maps and sensors using the situational awareness software, observed gunshot detection notifications on a PC and mobile device, and participated in a debrief with S&T's National Urban Security Technology Laboratory (NUSTL) to gather feedback. Source; DHS.

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***(U//LES)* Targeting of Electrical Substation in North Dakota Highlights Ongoing Threat to the Sector**

***(U//LES)* A May attack against an electrical substation in North Dakota underscores the ongoing threat against the electricity subsector and the potential for firearms attacks to cause localized service disruptions across the United States.** The attack disrupted electrical services to nearly 250 customers and may have been intended to force a temporary shutdown of the Dakota Access Pipeline. While the tactics used in this incident are consistent with those advocated by some domestic violent extremists in recent years, the investigation into motives behind the attack is ongoing.

- ***(U//LES)*** A firearms attack on 13 May destroyed two electric power transformers in North Dakota that provided power to local residents, businesses, and the pipeline, according to DHS reporting. Investigating officers observed “DAPL”—a likely reference to the Dakota Access Pipeline—and other symbols spray-painted outside the substation, suggesting its proximity to the pipeline may have factored into the targeting of this substation.

- ***(U//FOUO)*** This attack occurred amid an uptick in firearms attacks against electrical substations across the United States over the past year. The tactics used generally are consistent with guidance shared by domestic violent extremists online, though the perpetrators and motives for most of the attacks have not yet been identified.

- ***(U//FOUO)*** On 12 July, a Canadian citizen was charged with the 13 May destruction of the electrical substation, according to DOJ information. The subject has resided illegally in Oregon since at least June 2018, according to federal law enforcement information. Source; DHS

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Self-Proclaimed Neo-Nazi Arrested for Plotting to Blow Up Maryland Power Grid

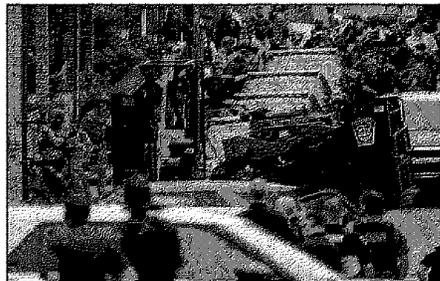


Russell and Sarah Beth Clendaniel planned sniper attacks.

[Tampa, Florida] Tampa defendant and self-proclaimed neo-Nazi, Brandon Russell, is back in the headlines for all the wrong reasons. After serving five years in prison on explosive charges, Russell was recently arrested, while on probation, for plotting to blow up the power grid in Maryland. Attorney Anthony Rickman reviewed the case. Russell and his co-conspirator, Sarah Beth Clendaniel, planned sniper attacks on several substations in Maryland. "He wanted to shut down the grid system for a period of time during the cold of winter. And him doing this if he would've accomplished his plan, people would've died," explained Rickman.

Analyst Comment The Atom Waffeln Division (AWD), which means "atomic weapons" in German, is a white supremacist, neo-Nazi terrorist group which uses force and violence against groups of people with whom it disagrees, including non-whites, ethnic minorities, Jews, and homosexuals. In 2016, Brandon Russell helped to formalize the group and served as an organizer for several years. On 9 January 2019, Russell was sentenced to five years in prison by a federal judge in Tampa, for having bomb-making materials in his apartment. In May 2017, at the time of his arrest, Russell's roommate, Devon Arthurs, a co-founder of the Atomwaffen Division, told the police that Russell had materials in the house "to kill civilians and target locations like power lines, nuclear reactors, and synagogues." Upon Russell's release from prison, while on probation, the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) determined that Russell and his girlfriend were planning sniper attacks on the power grid serving Baltimore, Maryland. The investigation revealed that the pair planned to knock out the power during the winter when heating causes electricity to run at max capacity. The criminal complaint states that they were planning to target five electrical substations around Baltimore and noted that Baltimore has a predominantly African-American population. Source; Surface Transportation & Public Transportation ISAC Transit & Rail Intelligence Awareness Daily Report (TRIAD)

Pittsburgh Neighborhood Evacuated after Eviction Notice Prompts Active Shooter Situation



On 23 August a man facing eviction opened fire at officers from inside a Pittsburgh home Wednesday, shooting down police drones and prompting evacuations in the neighborhood, in a gun battle and siege that lasted much of the day and ended with authorities saying he was dead. Law enforcement authorities evacuated the Garfield neighborhood in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, after a gunman opened fire from inside his house when police officers attempted to serve an eviction notice. The gunman was reportedly killed following a standoff with police.

Police Chief Larry Sciroto said the joint response by personnel from SWAT, state and county law enforcement, the FBI and the federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives "saved many officers' lives in a very tense and rapidly uncertain environment" and also protected the neighborhood. The shooter was given "every opportunity" to surrender peacefully, he added, and that was why the situation "took the amount of time that it took."

Drones were used to try to communicate and to scope out the home, but "every time we had deployed one of those, three or four instances, it was disabled by gunfire."

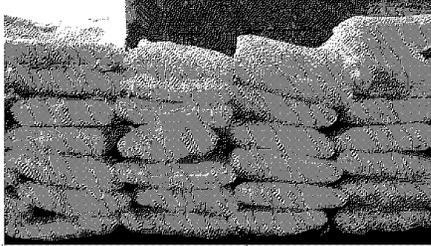
- Media reporting identified the suspect as 63-year-old William Hardison Sr., an individual previously convicted of offenses including carrying a firearm without a license, forgery, and harassment.

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- Media reports also suggested Hardison identified as a “sovereign citizen,” which is a movement of individuals who believe they do not have to follow laws or pay taxes. Sovereign citizens have previously been linked to the murder of police officers, fraud, and anti-government criminal activity.
- The suspect also allegedly shot down two police drones.
- One law enforcement officer sustained a non-gunfire related injury. No other serious injuries were reported.
- Around 1700 local time, city emergency medical service responders pronounced the suspect dead.

Source; NYPD

Fentanyl Awareness: Half of All Fentanyl Seized in U.S. is Caught in Arizona



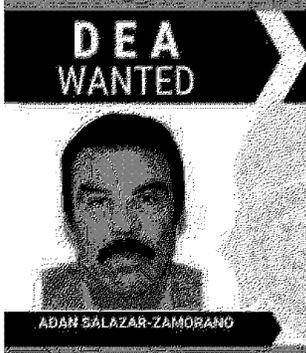
Maricopa County, Arizona – [An attorney] warned about the importance of drug-related education of youth in [a] National Fentanyl Prevention and Awareness Day statement Monday. [The attorney] cited the 2022 Arizona Youth Survey, in which 47% of eighth graders said they do not know of the deadly drug, according to the Arizona Criminal Justice Commission. “This is something that we can’t afford to have them not know about because what we’re finding is that fentanyl is laced in all different sorts of street drugs.” [The attorney] encouraged parents to talk with their children about the substance and said that “It’s not a drug. It’s a poison.” As Arizona is a border state, it’s become a hub for fentanyl trafficking, as

the substance is regularly seized by U.S. Customs and Border Protection in large quantities.

The Drug Enforcement Administration said that over half of fentanyl is stemming from the Arizona-Mexico border, NewsNation reported earlier in August. Some of those seizures are larger than others, as The Center Square reported that nearly a ton of fentanyl was seized by authorities at the Arizona border between March and May through “Operation Blue Lotus” and “Operation Four Horseman.” “Of all of the fentanyl seized across the nation, half of it is seized in Arizona because [Arizona] is a border state,” [noted the attorney]. Source; Tennessee Star, Aug 23, 2023

INTERNATIONAL

(U) Mexico Extradited DEA Most Wanted Alleged Sinaloa Cartel Leader to the US



(U) Last week, the Mexican government extradited alleged Sinaloa cartel leader and Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) Most Wanted person Adan Salazar Zamorano, aka ‘Don Adan.’ Salazar was transferred late last week from a prison in Veracruz, Mexico, to the Mexico City International Airport. He was handed over to U.S. agents who flew him back to the United States, the Mexican Attorney General’s Office said in a statement. The U.S. Marshals Service executed an arrest warrant against Salazar on Friday in El Paso, according to documents from U.S. District Court for the Western District of Texas.

Adan, whom Mexican law enforcement has identified as an alleged leader of “Los Salazar” cell of the Sinaloa cartel operating in the northern states of Sonora and Chihuahua has been under indictment in the US since 2006. That’s when a grand jury returned a sealed indictment against him for conspiracy to possess a controlled substance (cocaine) with intent to distribute. The indictment accuses Salazar of conspiring to procure cocaine for smuggling and distribution in the U.S. Salazar, 79, was listed by the Drug Enforcement Administration as a fugitive from justice and known to travel by private aircraft throughout Mexico.

He was arrested by Mexican officials on various charges in 2011. The indictment accuses Adan of conspiring to procure cocaine for smuggling and distribution in the US. Mexican officials have also tied Adan to a November 2019 ambush in which nine Americans were killed. In addition to the 2017 assassination of Chihuahua journalist Miroslava Breach. Source; KTSM News

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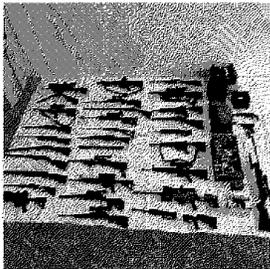
Mexican Army says Drug Cartels are Increasing their use of Roadside Bombs



The Mexican army said Tuesday that drug cartels have increased their use of roadside bombs or improvised explosive devices this year, with 42 soldiers, police and suspects wounded by IEDs so far in 2023, up from 16 in 2022. The figures provided by Defense Secretary Luis Cresencio Sandoval appeared to include only those wounded by explosive devices, but officials have already acknowledged that at least one National Guard officer and four state police officers have been killed in two separate explosive attacks this year. Particularly on the rise were drone-carried bombs, which were unknown in Mexico prior to 2020. So far this year, 260 such incidents have been recorded. However, even that number

may be an underestimate: residents in some parts of the western state of Michoacan say that attacks by bomb-dropping drones are a near-daily occurrence. Six car bombs have been found so far in 2023, up from one in 2022. However, car bombs were also occasionally used years ago in northern Mexico. Overall, 556 improvised explosive devices of all types — roadside, drone-carried and car bombs — were found in 2023. A total of 2,186 have been found during the current administration, which took office in December 2018.

More than half of all the explosive devices found during the current administration — 1,411 — were found in Michoacan, where the Jalisco cartel has been fighting a bloody, yearslong turf war against a coalition of local gangs. Most of the rest were found in the states of Guanajuato and Jalisco. It was not clear whether the figures for the number of explosive devices found includes only those that failed to explode. Sandoval said that the explosive devices frequently failed to explode. “All of these explosive devices are homemade, based on tutorials that can be found on the internet,” he said. Sandoval said most of the devices appear to have been made with black powder “which is available in the marketplace,” or more powerful blasting compounds stolen from mines. In July, a drug cartel set off a coordinated series of seven roadway bombs in western Mexico that killed four police officers and two civilians. The governor of Jalisco state said the explosions were a trap set by the cartel to kill law enforcement personnel. In June, another cartel used a car bomb to kill a National Guard officer in the neighboring state of Guanajuato. Explosives also wounded 10 soldiers in the neighboring state of Michoacan in 2022 and killed a civilian. Source: AP News



Weapons arsenal in Austria

Austria Arrests Doomsday Preppers

An EMS response to a home in southern Austria led to the arrest of two British citizens and an Austrian accomplice when a massive weapons cache was discovered, reported the Mirror. Police also discovered bomb making materials and believe the trio of doomsday preppers were planning on assembling a radiation dispersal device known as a dirty bomb. Germany and Austria have seen activity of extreme doomsday adherents that are labeled as accelerationist, those seeking to bring Day X (the collapse of the world order) through acts of violence, said NYT.

Analyst Assessment The US has several doomsday accelerationist groups, inspired by adherence to conspiracy theories and ideologies like those published in James Mason’s book, *Siege*, that advocates the violent overthrow of the government. A recent study suggests conspiracy theories build support for autocratic forms of government over democratic, the driving force is a feeling of political powerlessness. A QAnon fostered conspiracy theory that advocated the coming of “The Storm,” where the deep state would be overthrown, was a common belief of many of the January 6th rioters. Source: Watchline@fdny.nyc.gov

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