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## One killed, five wounded in Hollywood shooting

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### FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Tuesday, May 30, 2023

**NORTH CHARLESTON, S.C.** – The Charleston County Sheriff's Office is investigating a shooting late Monday that killed one person and injured five others in the Hollywood area.

Deputies responded about 9:50 p.m. to a report of gunfire and multiple shooting victims near the intersection of Church Hill Road and Storage Road.

The responding deputies found one victim inside a vehicle who was pronounced dead at the scene. Five other wounded people were taken to area hospitals for treatment. None of their injuries were reported to be life-threatening.

Detectives are working to determine the circumstances that led to the shooting. Forensic investigators also documented the scene.

Deputies had responded about two hours before the shooting to a report of a large crowd on Storage Road. Deputies conducted a foot patrol of the area and found a neighborhood party but no unlawful activity at the time.

No arrests have been made in the shooting, and no detailed suspect description is available. Anyone with information can call the Sheriff's Office at 843-743-7200. Anyone who would like to remain anonymous and possibly be eligible for a reward can call Crime Stoppers at 843-554-1111.

### UPDATE Tuesday, June 6, 2023

Sheriff Kristin Graziano this week urged community action on gun violence and implored residents to help detectives solve a Memorial Day shootout in which more than 100 rounds were

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fired from at least 13 guns, killing a bystander and wounding five other people in the Hollywood area.

The shootout happened about 9:50 p.m. May 29 at Church Hill Road and Storage Road, where a large number of people had gathered for a block party. Bullets were fired from rifles, shotguns and pistols. Deshawn Stephens, 22, was struck by a round as he took cover in a vehicle. He died at the scene. Five other people were taken to area hospitals with gunshot wounds.

During a town hall-style community meeting Monday in Hollywood, Sheriff Graziano said the shooting and other recent incidents should bring more attention to the gun violence issue. Though the Charleston County Sheriff's Office has received tips, no arrests have been made.

"We need solutions to these problems. The community is the only one ... that can solve this problem," the sheriff said. "We can help you, but you have to do it."

Community leaders and victims of gun violence joined the sheriff during the meeting at St. Luke's AME Church. She told them that people gathered for the party that had been advertised on social media, and they blocked roads. Two hours before the shooting, deputies responded to a complaint about the large crowd and traffic, but they did not witness unlawful activity at the time. The problem worsened as the evening wore on, but CCSO received no further phone calls until the shooting.

In addition to the Memorial Day shooting, the sheriff mentioned a May 7 traffic stop in which a man opened fire on two CCSO deputies, one of whom was shot three times. Both deputies attended Monday's meeting. She also highlighted the May 3 homicide of 18-year-old De'Andre Tommie on Wadmalaw Island. Tommie was a student expected to graduate this spring from St. Johns High School, where his funeral was held.

"This has got to stop. If we don't do something together, your churches are going to become funeral parlors," Graziano said. "Your schools are going to be not for gathering for teaching, but laying people to rest."

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The sheriff said it is vital to have more communication between the Sheriff's Office and residents to stop violence before it happens. "We can't help you if we don't know," Graziano said. "You've got to talk to us."

No detailed suspect description is available in the Memorial Day shooting. Anyone with information can call the Sheriff's Office at 843-743-7200. Anyone who would like to remain anonymous and possibly be eligible for a reward can call Crime Stoppers at 843-554-1111.

*Details on May 3 homicide:*

<https://sheriff.charlestoncounty.org/news/2023/shooting-victim-found-in-car-on-wadmalaw-island.pdf>

*Details on May 7 deputy-involved shooting:*

<https://sheriff.charlestoncounty.org/news/2023/deputy-wounded-suspect-killed-in-ravenel-shooting.pdf>

*Follow this link to download video of Sheriff Graziano's briefing to the community:*

<https://drive.google.com/file/d/1C91cNT4jJOO1qDyB91FVqNBnmOs8BsWR/view?usp=sharing>

*See photos below.*

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*De'Andre Tommie (left), 18, was killed in a May 3 shooting on Wadmalaw Island. Deshawn Stephens (right), 22, was a bystander who was killed in the May 29 shootout in Hollywood.*

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*Charleston County Sheriff Kristin Graziano addresses people who attended a town hall-style community meeting Monday in Hollywood.*

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