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**UPDATE**

SUFFOLK, VA (May 5, 2022) Suffolk Police have arrested Maleek Sailun Meyers, age 18 of Franklin, Virginia, on charges of Murder: Second Degree (F), Conspiracy to Commit a Felony (F), Assault: Shoot, Stab, Etc. in Commission of Felony (F), Discharge Firearm In or Around School (F), and Use or Discharge Firearm in Commission of Felony (F) in connection with shooting incident from May 4, 2022.

Meyers was the other individual injured in the incident who had been treated and released from the hospital as noted in the previous media release.

The investigation into the incident remains ongoing at this time and there is no further information available for release. If anyone has information regarding this incident, please contact Suffolk Police or Suffolk Crime Line. To submit online, go to [www.p3tips.com](http://www.p3tips.com), visit the Suffolk Police Department website ([www.suffolkva.us/spd](http://www.suffolkva.us/spd)) and look for the Suffolk Crime Line link, or go to the Suffolk Police Department Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/suffolkpolicedepartment](http://www.facebook.com/suffolkpolicedepartment). You can also call 888-LOCK-U-UP, 1-888-562-5887, Option 5. Once a person submits a tip, they will be given a TIP ID and password. With this information they can login at p3tips.com and submit follow-up information, engage in two-way dialogue, be informed of the outcome of the tip, and access any pertinent reward information.

## UPDATE

SUFFOLK, VA (May 4, 2022) Following notification of next of kin, Suffolk Police advise the deceased victim in this morning's shooting has been identified as Rufus Lindell Artis, age 31 of Windsor, Virginia.

Additionally, the other individual injured in the incident is an 18 year old male from Franklin, Virginia who has been treated and released from the hospital.

Suffolk Police further advise that they are investigating the possibility that this morning's shooting is connected to a shooting incident from Tuesday, April 26, 2022 which also occurred at Hoffler Apartments. In that incident, a juvenile male suffered non life-threatening injuries in the shooting during which several vehicles and one apartment were struck by gunfire.

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**SUFFOLK POLICE INVESTIGATING A SHOOTING INCIDENT WHICH LEAVES  
ONE DECEASED AND ANOTHER INJURED**

SUFFOLK, VA (May 4, 2022) On May 4, 2022, at approximately 12:05 AM, the Suffolk 911 Center received multiple calls of shots being fired in the 2200 block of E. Washington Street. When police arrived they located an adult male who had been shot and was pronounced deceased on scene.

While officers were on scene at E. Washington Street another adult male self-transported to Obici Hospital to be treated for a non-life-threatening gunshot wound.

The investigation remains ongoing at this time, and there is no further information available for release. If anyone has information regarding this incident, please contact Suffolk Police or Suffolk Crime Line. To submit online, go to [www.p3tips.com](http://www.p3tips.com), visit the Suffolk Police Department website ([www.suffolkva.us/spd](http://www.suffolkva.us/spd)) and look for the Suffolk Crime Line link, or go to the Suffolk Police Department Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/suffolkpolicedepartment](http://www.facebook.com/suffolkpolicedepartment). You can also call 888-LOCK-U-UP, 1-888-562-5887, Option 5. Once a person submits a tip, they will be given a TIP ID and password. With this information they can login at p3tips.com and submit follow-up information, engage in two-way dialogue, be informed of the outcome of the tip, and access any pertinent reward information.

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