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## **Buena Vista Road Death Investigation**

On January 24, 2025 at 5:25 p.m., Columbus Police Officers responded to the 6500 block of Buena Vista Road regarding the discovery of a deceased individual. Upon arrival, officers found a Black male (later identified as Rashod Barrett, 17) deceased from a gunshot wound.

EMS arrived on scene and could not resuscitate him. Deputy Coroner Elizabeth Allison arrived on the scene and pronounced him deceased at 6:06 p.m.

The Violent Crimes Unit was called to the scene to take lead on the investigation.

Anyone with information about this case is urged to contact Cpl. Jared Berger at 706-225-4325 or [berger.jared@columbusga.org](mailto:berger.jared@columbusga.org).

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