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NEWS RELEASE

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Shooting with Injuries – Intersection of Winston Road and Summit Ridge Drive

CHAMPAIGN - Champaign Police were dispatched to the 1500 block of Mattis Avenue at 11:26 a.m. on March 4, 2026, following a report of a shooting with injuries. On-scene at that location, officers found a 15-year-old victim with a non-life-threatening gunshot wound. Officers immediately administered medical assistance with help from the Champaign Fire Department until the victim could be transported to an area hospital. The victim remains hospitalized in stable condition. A short time later, a scene with evidence of gunfire was located near the intersection of Winston Drive and Summit Ridge Road.

The initial investigation indicated that the teen was walking in the area when an unknown subject or subjects opened fire, injuring him. The victim then fled the area on foot while calling for assistance. The unknown subject(s) fled the area before officers arrived. The reason for the gunfire remains unknown at this time, but investigators are pursuing every lead and seeking assistance from the community to determine what led to this incident and who is responsible.

Officers continue to canvass the surrounding area for witnesses and video footage that may be of investigative assistance. Any resident or business in the nearby area with exterior surveillance camera systems is encouraged to notify the police department. No arrests have been made at this time and the investigation is ongoing. Future updates may be provided as they become available.

Champaign Police ask that anyone who has additional information please call 217-351-4545. Arrangements can be made for information to be shared privately. Anyone wishing to remain anonymous may also submit tips to Crime Stoppers by phone at: 217-373-8477 (TIPS); online at 373tips.com; or the "P3 Tips" mobile app.

Residents are reminded that information submitted to Crime Stoppers is completely anonymous. Calls are routed to a third-party national call center that receives your information, completes a tips information form, and then passes the information to the appropriate law enforcement agency. Caller ID tracking is not utilized by Crime Stoppers and conversations are not recorded.

Crime Stoppers will pay cash rewards of \$5,000 for tips that lead to an arrest in any homicide case, \$2,500 for tips leading to an arrest in a felony crime involving a firearm, and up to \$1,000 for tips leading to the arrest of the person(s) responsible for any other crime.

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