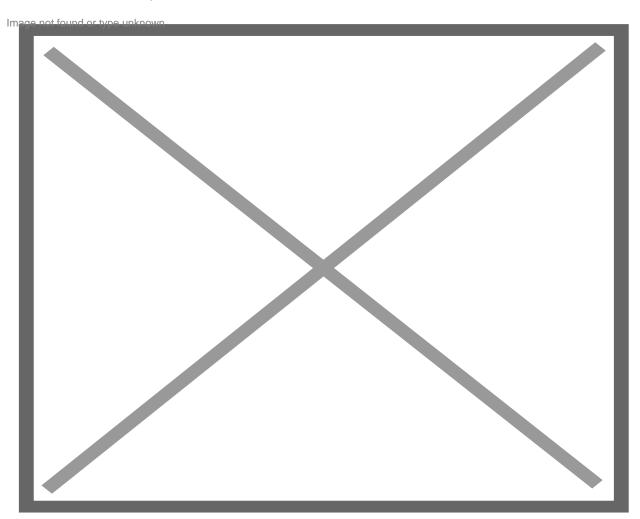
Woman Assaulted with Firearm to Face by Family Member in Bovoni Housing Community, VIPD Investigating

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ST. THOMAS — The V.I. Police Department is actively investigating an incident of third-degree assault involving domestic violence that occurred in the Bovoni Housing Community on Saturday, September 16.

According to VIPD officers, upon arriving at the scene, they made contact with a black female who reported the assault. The victim stated that the incident happened when she made a stop outside a family residence in the Nadir Circle area of St. Thomas. While outside the residence, she said one of her male family members approached her vehicle, pressed a firearm against her face, and then struck her multiple times in the face.

The victim further reported that she left the area immediately after the assault to avoid any further incident, especially given that she had two passengers in her vehicle at the time, one of whom was a minor.

The Criminal Investigation Bureau is leading the ongoing investigation into this serious matter. Authorities are urging anyone with information related to the incident to come forward and assist in the investigation. Individuals with pertinent information are advised to contact the following:

- Emergency 911 Call Center
- Detective S. Rhymer of the Criminal Investigation Bureau at 340-774-2211
- Crime Stoppers V.I. at 800-222-TIPS (8477), or online here.

The VIPD has said it is committed to solving these case and ensuring the safety of victims and the community.

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