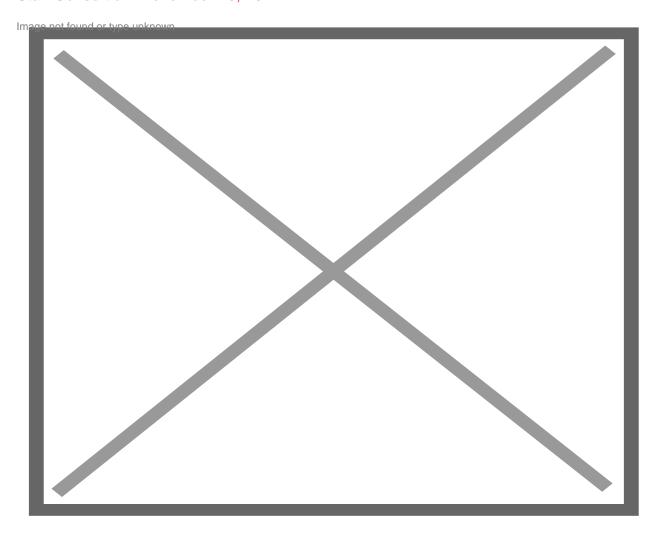
Off-Duty Police Officer Shot Near Concordia Manor, St. Croix; VIPD Launches Investigation

A law enforcement officer was struck by gunfire early Sunday morning as he was leaving Concordia Manor; authorities urge public assistance in the ongoing probe

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ST. CROIX — An off-duty law enforcement officer was injured early Sunday morning after being struck by gunfire while leaving Concordia Manor in St. Croix, the V.I. Police Department announced Sunday. The incident occurred around 2:02 a.m.

According to the VIPD, the 911 Emergency Call Center was alerted by medical staff at the Governor Juan F. Luis Hospital when the officer, who had been shot in the upper body, walked

into the Emergency Room seeking assistance.

Upon arrival at the hospital, detectives learned that the officer was driving away from Concordia Manor when an unknown individual opened fire on his vehicle. According to the officer's account, he initially heard a gunshot, noticed a hole in his windshield, and then felt pain in his left shoulder, realizing he had been shot. Despite his injury, he managed to drive himself to the hospital for treatment.

Medical staff treated the officer for a single gunshot wound to his left shoulder, and he is expected to be discharged soon. VIPD investigators processed and photographed his vehicle as part of the ongoing investigation.

The VIPD is appealing to the public for any information related to this incident. Individuals with details are encouraged to contact the 911 Emergency Call Center, the Criminal Investigation Bureau Tipline at 340-778-4950, or Crime Stoppers Virgin Islands at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS), or online https://example.com/here/beta-1222-8477 (TIPS), or online https://example.com/here/beta-12222-8477 (TIPS), or online https://exa

The investigation remains active as authorities work to determine the circumstances surrounding the shooting.

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