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Body Found Wrapped in Garbage Bags in Fortuna, St. Thomas

VIPD's Major Crimes Unit is investigating after human remains were found wrapped in garbage bags in the Fortuna area of St. Thomas; identity and cause of death are pending autopsy, and authorities are urging the public to share any information.

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ST. THOMAS — The V.I. Police Department is investigating the discovery of human remains in Fortuna, St. Thomas, after a call to central dispatch on Wednesday afternoon.

According to the VIPD's Criminal Investigation Bureau, at approximately 3:48 p.m. on Tuesday, police were notified of a possible body wrapped in garbage bags in the Fortuna

area. Responding officers searched the surrounding location and confirmed finding a bag containing human remains.

Emergency Medical Technicians arrived on the scene and, at about 4:57 p.m., determined that the individual had no vital signs. At this stage, the identity and gender of the deceased remain unknown. An autopsy will be conducted to confirm both identity and cause of death.

The VIPD's Major Crimes Unit is leading the investigation. Authorities are urging anyone with information about the incident to contact the Major Crimes Unit at 340-774-2211 extensions 5554, 5555, or 5556, call 911, reach out anonymously through Crime Stoppers V.I. at 1-800-222-8477, or online [here](#).

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