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Shootings In St. Thomas And St. Croix Leave Two Victims Injured

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Separate shooting incidents in St. Thomas and St. Croix on Wednesday left two victims with gunshot wounds, police announced Thursday. Both victims were shot in the left leg.

On Wednesday at approximately 10:50 p.m., the 911 emergency call center reported a gunshot victim at the Roy Lester Schneider Hospital's emergency room, according to V.I.P.D. Media Specialist Sakeeda.

Upon officers' arrival to the hospital, contact was made with the victim, who stated that as he drove his vehicle in the area of Savan, he stopped to throw away his trash into a garbage bin and suddenly heard gunshots. The victim said he started running to his

vehicle, and immediately after began feeling pain in his left leg.

The victim -- who drove himself to the hospital -- said he did not see anyone in the area and could not determine in which direction the gunshots came from. He sustained a single gunshot wound to his left thigh and was treated by an emergency room doctor for his injury.

Also on Wednesday, the 911 call emergency call center reported at 10:22 p.m. that there was a gunshot victim in the Walter IM Hodge Housing Community.

Upon arrival to the scene, officers observed a 21-year-old male victim who had sustained injury to the left leg, according to V.I.P.D. Public Information Officer Glen Dratte.

The victim stated that he was walking up the stairs to his apartment when he was suddenly shot. He was transported to the Juan F. Luis Hospital and Medical Center by ambulance, according to Mr. Dratte. The victim was listed as being in stable condition.

Police officers canvassed the area for suspects with negative results. Both incidents are under Investigation by the Criminal investigation Bureau (CIB).

Police are asking anyone with information that may lead to the arrest of criminal acts in Croix to call CIB at 340-778-2211; In St. Thomas, call 340-774-2211 ext. 5579 or 5557. For Crime Stoppers USVI, where your tip may lead to a financial reward, go [here](#).