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Woman Found Shot To Death In La Vallee House; Police Investigating Incident

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ST. CROIX -- A 22-year-old woman was found shot to death in a residence in La Vallee in the wee hours of Wednesday morning, V.I.P.D. Public Information Officer Glen Dratte has announced. While rumors and speculation have been making the rounds relative to the cause of death, the V.I.P.D. has classified the incident as a suspicious death, and said the investigation into what really occurred continues.

"It has been classified as a suspicious death," Mr. Dratte told The Consortium. "They haven't concluded the case yet because it's still under investigation. Police are investigating the incident deeply. Everybody is involved, including the commissioner. An autopsy needs to be done before any conclusion."

According to Mr. Dratte, the 911 emergency call center was notified at about 3:20 a.m. Wednesday that a woman had been shot. Upon arrival, officers met the unresponsive victim in the house, who was immediately transported to the Juan F. Luis Hospital where she was pronounced dead by a physician in the hospital's emergency room.

The victim was identified by next of kin as A'shyra Sweeney.

The Criminal Investigation Bureau is leading the investigation into the incident, Mr. Dratte said. The police force is asking anyone with information regarding the case to call 340-778-2211. You may also contact Crime Stoppers USVI with anonymous tip [here](#).