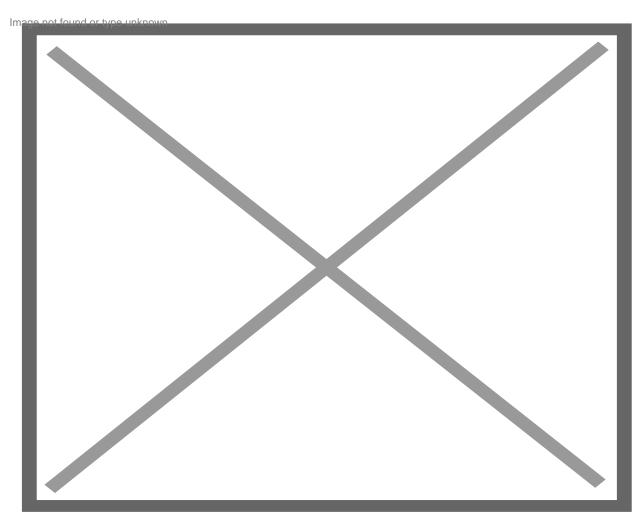
Monday Digest: Suspect in St. Croix's East End Homicide in Custody; Puerto Rico Prepares for Vaccine Distribution; and Have You Seen Coconut Vybez?

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Coconut Vybez host Julee Lansiquot and chef Lamar Bough By. COCONUT VYBEZ

This is the 15th edition of the Monday Digest. Let's get straight to it.

Man Arrested in Killing of Bomani Christian

The V.I.P.D. <u>has arrested</u> 40-year-old Kareem Richardson in connection with the shooting death of Bomani Christian, who was shot in the back in the presence of his two young sons on

November 1 at his home in Catherine's Hope on the east end of St. Croix.

According to the V.I.P.D., suspect Richardson, 40, turned himself in on Saturday following a notice from the police department that he was wanted for murder.

Puerto Rico Will Distribute Vaccines Beginning Mid-December, Gov't Says

Officials in Puerto Rico <u>announced Wednesday</u> that the U.S. territory expects to receive its first COVID-19 vaccines by mid-December as the island hits a record number of daily cases and hospitalizations.

According to the Associated Press, Health care workers, teachers and certain public sector employees are among those who will take priority, officials said.

"This will be the best gift we can receive," said Health Secretary Lorenzo González.

Puerto Rico requested 1 million vaccines, but not all are expected to arrive at once, said José Reyes, adjutant general of the Puerto Rico National Guard, which will help distribute them.

'Coconut Vybez', Which Publishes on VI Consortium, Continues to Gain Momentum

Have you seen "Coconut Vybez"? It's a video series covering the better parts of the Caribbean — beginning, of course, with the USVI. From exquisite culinary to the rare, natural offerings found only in the Caribbean, you should check it out sometime. VIC is featuring the latest episode on our website today.

In other news, a man attempted to rob the KFC restaurant in Frederiksted at gunpoint Saturday night, though he left without cash; the U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs and the V.I. Office of Veterans Affairs have teamed up to conduct a virtual seminar focused on educating the territories' veterans on the VA Home-Loan Guarantee Program; a woman was injured by gunfire during a shooting incident at the D. Hamilton Jackson housing community Friday night; and the Bureau of Motor Vehicles has halted vehicle registration services from Nov. 30 (today) through Dec. 4, citing Governor Albert Bryan's "soft shutdown".

The previous Monday Digest is here.

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