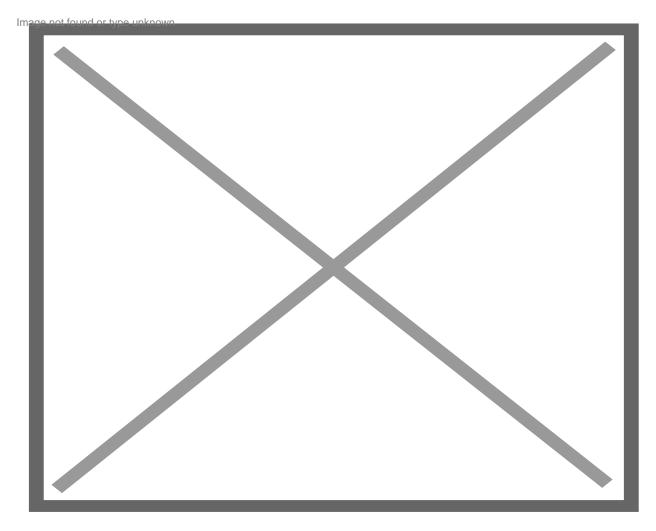
## Three Shot, One Dead Following Sion Farm Shooting

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Scene of shooting today in Sion Farm on Friday, May 21, 2021. By. VI CONSORTIUM

ST. CROIX — Two men were injured and a third died during a shooting incident that occurred in Sion Farm Friday morning, according to V.I.P.D. Public Information Officer Toby Derima.

According to the news release, today at 11:55 a.m., the 911 Emergency Call Center received a call of shots fired near a residence in Sion Farm. Officers traveled to the location and found three Black males, including a minor, who sustained gunshot wounds. The victims were transported to the Juan F. Luis Hospital & Medical Center via ambulance for treatment. One of the victims, who was critically wounded, succumbed to his injuries a short time later at the hospital.

He was identified by family members as 23-year-old <u>David Semper</u> of Anna's Hope. The other two victims were listed in serious but fair condition, Mr. Derima said.

According to the release, an investigation into the incident revealed that the men were shot by a single assailant who approached the area on foot, who then fled the area in a waiting vehicle.

Today's homicide carries the territory's total for 2021 to twenty-one, with the overwhelming majority of the deaths — eighteen — occurring on St. Croix, followed by St. Thomas with two, and St. John with one.

Detectives are requesting the community's assistance in providing any information regarding the vehicle suspect used to flee the area or any other information that may lead to the identification of the assailant and his cohorts.

Everyone who has information about this incident to are urged contact police by calling 911, the Crime TipLine at (340) 778-4950, or anonymously to Crime Stoppers USVI at (800) 222-TIPS, where your tip can earn you cash.

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