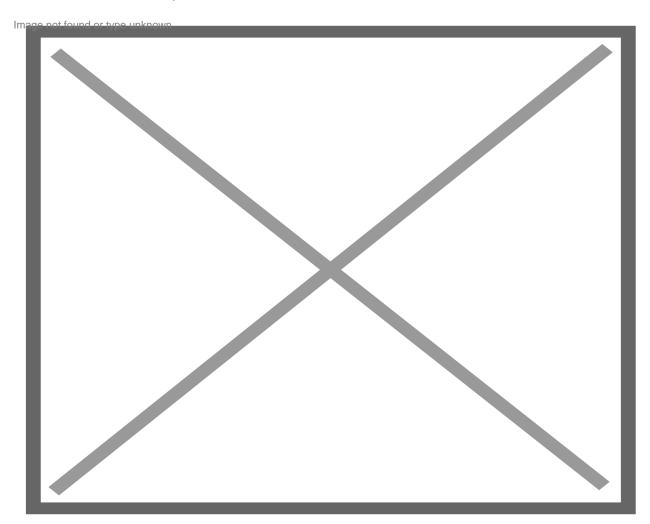
## Four Shot, Three Dead During Overnight Shootings in St. Thomas

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Police officers in Smith Bay, where two men were shot and killed. By. VIPD PHOTO BY DANNY DERIMA / CLEAR TOUCH IMAGING

ST. THOMAS — Three separate shooting incidents in St. Thomas Friday left three men dead and four injured, V.I.P.D. spokesman Toby Derima has confirmed. As a result of the overnight shootings, the V.I.P.D. is hosting a press briefing at noon today to address the public.

The first incident <u>occurred at Coki Point Friday afternoon</u> and left one man critically injured after sustaining multiple gunshot wounds. According to Mr. Derima, after receiving a call at 2:51 p.m., officers traveled to the scene and found an adult male with multiple gunshot wounds about the body. He was transported to the Schneider Regional Medical Center via ambulance for treatment,

where he was listed in serious condition.

## **Estate Bordeaux Homicide**

Mr. Derima said the 911 emergency call center received notification of a Bordeaux shooting and man down at 6:27 p.m. Friday. Officers traveled to the scene and found an unresponsive Black male with a single gunshot wound, he said.

## Two Dead in Smith Bay

The 911 Emergency Call Center at 11:20 p.m. received calls from concerned residents of multiple gunshots in Smith Bay and one gunshot victim. However, upon arrival to the scene, officers met two victims, though one died on the scene while the other victim succumbed to his injuries at the Schneider Regional Medical Center, according to Mr. Derima.

The V.I.P.D. is hosting a press briefing at noon today to address the shooting incidents, according to Mr. Derima.

The St. Thomas shootings carried the territory's total for 2021 to twenty-five, with nineteen on St. Croix, five on St. Thomas and one on St. John. The last homicide occurred on St. Croix; police found the unresponsive body of a man at the Altona Lagoon with multiple gunshot wounds. He was identified by next of kin as 38-year-old Nicholas A. Miller.

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