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Victims Identified in Phillips Woods Drive Homicide

Update 3:

(Henrico County, Va.) – Henrico Police have identified the two adult female victims involved in Saturday's homicide on Phillips Woods Drive as:

- **Diane Crowder, of Henrico, VA**
- **Carrie Szaksz, of Mechanicsville, VA**

Both victims are known to the suspect, **Richard Colon Crowder, 60**, of Henrico. Crowder is a former Henrico County Police Division employee who retired in 2014.

Despite his previous affiliation within the Division, Saturday's barricade incident was handled as we would with any other similar incident when there is known information about occupants being armed. The safety of all individuals involved in any given situation is our top priority.

While this remains an ongoing investigation, we again want to thank nearby residents for their cooperation on Saturday. Henrico Police continues to work closely with the parties involved in this tragic incident.

Update 2:

(Henrico County, Va.) – Henrico Police have charged **Richard C. Crowder, 60**, of Henrico County with two counts of second-degree murder (18.2-32), three counts of use of a firearm in the commission of a felony (18.2-53.1), and one count of malicious shooting (18.2-51).

Crowder is being held at the Henrico County Jail without bond.

Update 1:

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(Henrico County, Va.) – At 6:24 pm, law enforcement officials took an adult male into custody after exiting the two-story home while on the phone with police. Afterward, law enforcement entered the house and encountered two adult females deceased.

The Henrico County Police Criminal Investigations team is on scene and will take over the investigation of this double homicide going into the evening hours.

Henrico Police thanks the area residents for their hospitality and understanding while law enforcement and other first-responders worked together; our local partners with Henrico Fire, Hanover County Sheriff's Office, Virginia State Police, FBI, Verizon, and the Metro-Richmond Flying Squad.

Henrico Police works closely with all parties involved to include the family in the preliminary stages of these tragic scenes. Additional details will be forthcoming as they become available.

(Henrico County, Va.) - On Saturday, July 2, 2022, the Henrico County Police Division responded to the 7600 block of Phillips Woods Drive for the report of a shooting. Once on scene, officers heard gunfire from within the residence.

While information is limited and this remains an active scene, this is suspected to be a domestic-related incident. Two adult males ran from the residence when gunfire erupted. The males were able to exit the home and run to safety. Police have spoken to the individuals and are working on learning more about what transpired this morning.

The responding officers secured the area and waited for additional resources. No first responders have been injured.

At 3:30 pm, first responders from Henrico Police, Henrico Fire, Hanover County Sheriff's Office, Virginia State Police, and the Metro-Richmond Flying Squad remain on the scene working together. The safety of our first responders and area neighbors is paramount, and police will continue our negotiation efforts. However, the support of nearby residents has been overwhelming while crews work. For updates, follow updates reported by our local media partners where Henrico Police continue to liaison to keep everyone updated. Additionally, Henrico Police will provide updates on our Twitter platform @HenricoPolice.

Additional details to follow as they become available.

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