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Police Requesting Community Assistance in Unsolved Homicides

Oakland, CA – The Oakland Police Department is requesting the public's assistance in helping us to solve the homicides of Terrence McCrary, Jr., 22, and Craig Fletcher-Cooks, 20. We know there were hundreds of people at the location where the shooting occurred. We believe someone saw the suspects responsible for the shooting. At this time, we would like to speak to anyone who has information pertaining to this incident, no matter how insignificant it may seem.



Terrence McCrary Jr.



Craig Fletcher-Cooks

A little over a year ago, at 12:53 a.m. on August 14, 2016, McCrary Jr. and Fletcher-Cooks were shot and killed, while attending a block party in the 300 block of 15th Street in Oakland.

Fletcher-Cooks was with his girlfriend when a group of suspects in their 20's grabbed her. When Fletcher-Cooks stepped in to defend his girlfriend, he was physically assaulted by a group of males. During this altercation, Fletcher-Cooks was shot and killed.

At the time of the incident, it was estimated there were approximately 300 people were on block, located between Harrison Street and Webster Street. As the initial gunshots began, the large crowd began running in all directions. (See attached surveillance video just prior to the shooting and during the shooting). As a result of the shooting, 22-year-old Terrence McCrary Jr. was struck by a stray bullet. He was pronounced deceased at the scene. There was a third victim, a 24-year-old male, who was shot several times but survived his injuries.

The tragic loss of McCrary Jr. and Fletcher-Cooks leaves both families and the community with a loss. The Department and the family want to identify and locate those responsible for this crime and bring closure to the families and community.

The McCrary Family shared, *“Terrence was a thoughtful, warm, loving son, brother, and friend. He was a talented skateboarder and aspiring artist. His death leaves a void in the lives of his family, friends and artist community.”*

Oakland Police Department Homicide investigators are requesting the community’s assistance and encourage anyone with information regarding this incident to contact them at (510) 238-3821 or the TIP LINE at (510) 238-7950. Police and Crime Stoppers of Oakland are offering a \$25,000 reward for information leading to an arrest.

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