

**Bristol County District Attorney's Office**  
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**Press Release**  
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At approximately 8:40 p.m. Wednesday, New Bedford Police were contacted regarding a man lying on the ground in the backyard of a home at 192 Purchase St. Upon arrival, police discovered the man was deceased and was the victim of a gun shot wound.

The victim was later identified as Arthur Burton, 19, of New Bedford.

The Bristol County District Attorney's Office, New Bedford Police and the Massachusetts State Police Unit assigned to the district attorney's office are all currently engaged in a joint homicide investigation.

The probe is being coordinated by Co-First Assistant District Attorney William McCauley and Assistant District Attorney Robert Kidd.

No further information regarding specific facts of the case will be disseminated at this time.