

# UMATILLA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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## **MEDIA RELEASE**

**March 5, 2022**

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### **DEATH INVESTIGATION SHOOTING in MILTON-FREEWATER**

Today, March 5th, 2022, at approximately 12:10 am, Umatilla County Sheriff's Office received 911 calls regarding shots fired in the 84000 block of Yellow Jacket Rd., Milton Freewater, Oregon. Initial reports indicated there were possibly victims from the shooting. Umatilla County Sheriff's Office Deputies, assisted by Oregon State Police, Milton Freewater Police, Oregon State Police Crime Lab, Walla Walla County Sheriff's Office and Walla Walla Police, responded and conducted an initial investigation.

Investigators on scene confirmed an 18-year-old male from Milton-Freewater had gunshot wounds. Prior to law enforcement arriving, the victim had been transported from the address in a private vehicle to St. Mary's Hospital, in Walla Walla. The 18-year-old succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced dead shortly after arriving at St. Mary's. The initial investigation indicates the victim was involved in a confrontation at the residence with another male, which led up to the shooting.

Currently, there is no additional concern for the general public's safety. The investigation remains ongoing.