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NEWS RELEASE

Victim in Edgewood Shooting Dies, Suspect Arrested

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[September 1, 2017, Edgewood, MD] One man is dead, and another in custody following a shooting that occurred Thursday afternoon in Edgewood.

On August 31, 2017, at approximately 2:15 p.m., deputies assigned to the Southern Precinct of the Harford County Sheriff's Office responded to the area of Harrpark Court and Cedar Drive in Edgewood for reports of shots fired. While enroute, patrol deputies were informed of a motor vehicle collision in close proximity to the shooting. Upon arrival, deputies located the motor vehicle collision. Inside one of the vehicles, deputies found an adult male, identified as Charles Pugh, 48 of Edgewood, suffering from multiple gunshot wounds to the lower body. Pugh was transported by Maryland State Police Medivac helicopter to the University of Maryland Shock Trauma Center, where he died as a result of his injuries at 11:05 p.m.

While on scene, deputies received information an individual involved in the incident may be in a residence located in the 600 block of Harrpark Court. Out of an abundance of caution, deputies set up a perimeter and requested the assistance of the Harford County Sheriff's Office Special Response Team (SRT). Deputies made entry to the home shortly before 7:00 p.m., and determined no one involved in the shooting was in the residence.

As the incident evolved, Detectives from the Harford County Sheriff's Office Criminal Investigations Division responded to assume the investigation. Investigators from the Forensic Services Unit responded to document the scene and collect evidence.

The initial investigation determined Pugh was involved in a verbal altercation with another male, identified as Derek Holder, 51 of Edgewood, in the 600 block of Harrpark Court that escalated and Holder shot Pugh. It was at that time Pugh's vehicle accelerated backwards and struck another vehicle at the intersection of Harrpark Court and Cedar Drive. Detectives took Holder into custody without incident. He is charged with first and second degree murder, first and second degree assault, and other related charges.

After being interviewed by Sheriff's Office detectives, Holder was transported to the Harford County Detention Center where he is being held without bail.

