



# News Release

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**Keith Porch, Chief of Police**

**For Immediate Release**

**Date: January 3, 2023**

**Number: 01**

**Subject: Homicide**

Officers responded to the Quality Inn at 500 N. Trimble Rd. at about 10:45 am. A staff person called the police after hearing multiple gunshots inside. Upon searching the facility Mansfield Police Officers located a 16-year-old victim inside a staircase.

It appears the victim sustained multiple gunshot wounds thus resulting in his death. The Richland County Coroner's Office will be sending the victim for an autopsy as this is an ongoing investigation.

Major Crimes detectives are working to find out what led to the shooting death as well as to identify a suspect(s). Details are very limited as this is an active and fluid investigation. Additional details will be released once they are available.

Anyone with information about this investigation to please call Major Crimes Detective Terry Butler at (419) 755-9791.