



News Release – Shots Fired Arrest

On 2/20/25 at approximately 3:57 PM, officers were dispatched the area of 450 New Park Ave for the reports of shots being fired. Officers arrived on scene to find evidence of gun fire with damage to the building of 449 New Park Ave. There were no injuries or victims reported.

*****Updated Information*****

Officers and Detectives conducted interviews, collected evidence and identified a potential suspect in this incident. Members of the Detective Division and Community Support Unit were able to locate and arrest the suspected shooter on the strength of an active arrest warrant. The suspect is identified as Taffarie Murphy, 43 y/o of Bloomfield, CT. Murphy was charged with one (1) count each of the following:



- CT CGS 53-203 Unlawful Discharge of a Firearm
- CT CGS 53a-63 Reckless Endangerment in the First Degree
- CT CGS 53a-217 Criminal Possession of a Firearm
- CT CGS 53a-115 Criminal Mischief in the First Degree

Murphy was unable to post his \$700,000 court-set surety bond and will be arraigned at Hartford Superior Court on 03/03/2025.

Anyone with information related to this investigation is asked to please contact the West Hartford Police Department at (860) 523-5203, or use the anonymous WHPD Tip Line/email at (860) 570-8969 / whpdtips@westhartfordct.gov.

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