

Homicide, 560 N. Hamilton Street
IPD case # IP060059722

Officers were dispatched to 560 N. Hamilton Avenue at 2211 hrs. reference shots being fired. Officers arrived less than four minutes later at 2215 hrs. and discovered the victims inside the residence. The victims had all been shot and were all dead at the scene. The victims are tentatively identified by family members as:

Emma Valdez H-F-46, d.o.b. 4-19-60,
address 560 N. Hamilton

Alberto Covarrubias, H-M-56, d.o.b. 11-23-49,
560 N. Hamilton

Flora Albarran, H-F-22, d.o.b. 12-31-84
Just moved to new apartment yesterday, new address unknown

Luis Albarran, H-M-5, son of Flora, grandson of Emma

Magno Albarran, H-M-29, d.o.b. 9-3-76

Alberto Covarrubias, H-M-11, d.o.b. 3-3-95

David Covarrubias, H-M- aged 8 or 9

The relationships are as follows. Alberto is Emma's husband and the stepfather of Flora and Magno. The younger Alberto and David are the children of Emma and Alberto.

District cars called for Homicide to respond and the Late and Tactical Shift Detectives and Supervisors responded. Sgt. VanBuskirk was assigned the investigation.

Through investigation, the detectives learned the following information:

Flora had been out handling issues related to her change of residence. She had left her son in the care of her Mother and stepfather at the Hamilton residence. Flora was with a female friend, who was helping her with her move. That woman was driving.

When they finished, they went to Hamilton to pick up Flora's son Luis. Flora entered the residence while her friend waited in the car parked outside. As soon as Flora entered a light came on and almost immediately the friend heard Flora screaming. She heard Flora say, "Don't do that! My Child!" The friend also reports that Flora yelled to her not to come in the house. The friend reports hearing gunshots from inside the house while Flora was screaming.

The friend also said that as Flora was yelling to her not to come in the house a black male stepped onto the porch carrying a long gun. That man looked around in what the friend believes was an attempt to locate whomever Flora was shouting to. Shooting was still occurring while the man was on the porch and continued when the man left the porch and returned inside the residence.

The friend said while she was watching the house 3 or 4 black males ran from the rear of the residence.
