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Fort Bend County Sheriff's Office Investigates Murder-Suicide

(FORT BEND COUNTY, TEXAS) – On Saturday, January 13th, 2024, at approximately 6:52 am, Fort Bend County Sheriff's Office Deputies responded to the 17000 block of Cory Cornel Lane in Richmond, Fort Bend County, Texas regarding a shooting. Sheriff's Deputies learned this shooting was a murder-suicide involving five family members due to a domestic dispute.

The call was made by a juvenile and grandmother in the residence who informed the dispatch center that a family member had shot and killed several relatives.

When Fort Bend County Sheriff's Deputies arrived, they found two surviving children who hid during the shooting, as well as one adult who was unharmed. The suspect, Alrick "Shawn" Alphanso Barrett, 46, killed his estranged wife, 44, brother-in-law, 43, sister-in-law, 46, and 8-year-old niece-in-law. The suspect then shot and killed himself.

The victims and the suspect were transported to the Fort Bend County Medical Examiner's Office for postmortem examination. Results are pending.

This remains an ongoing investigation.

"Our community stands united against such acts, and we are committed to providing support and resources to victims during these challenging times," said Sheriff Eric

Fagan. "I extended my deepest sympathies to this family, and to those who have been affected by domestic violence."



Alrick "Shawn" Alphanso Barrett, 46
Source: Texas Driver's License, 2022

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About the Fort Bend County Sheriff's Office

The Fort Bend County Sheriff's Office was founded in 1837 and is the largest and most diverse law enforcement agency in Fort Bend County. The Sheriff's Office has over 900 employees, including 615 sworn peace officers and 22 reserve volunteer deputies dedicated to protecting and serving nearly 900,000 Fort Bend County residents. Among the 10 fastest-growing counties in the nation, Fort Bend covers 885 square miles and includes 21 unincorporated communities.

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