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VIDEO

Newark Police Transport Shooting Victim to Hospital in Quick-Thinking, Life-Saving Effort

Newark Public Safety Director Anthony F. Ambrose reports that 1st Precinct Police Officers saved the life of a shooting victim by immediately transporting him to the hospital on Saturday, June 6, 2020.

“The life-saving actions of these officers demonstrated a personal care and concern for the victim that is commendable,” Director Ambrose said. “I applaud the officers for taking the initiative to preserve this man’s life and to save a family from undue grief.”

Shortly before 2 p.m., officers V. Ortiz and F. Rodriguez responded to the 300 block of Morris Avenue on a call of a shooting. The responding officers located a man who had been shot. The victim stated that he was having difficulty breathing and was observed going in and out of consciousness. In order to save the victim’s life, the officers transported the victim to University Hospital in their police vehicle for treatment. He is currently in stable condition.

“The officers went above and beyond to ensure that this victim received immediate medical attention,” Director Ambrose added. “This incident could have otherwise ended in a horrible tragedy.”

Detectives investigating this incident are following up all leads, but the suspect remains at large.

Director Ambrose urges anyone with information about this incident to call the Division's 24-hour Crime Stopper tip line at [1-877-NWK-TIPS](tel:1-877-NWK-TIPS) ([1-877-695-8477](tel:1-877-695-8477)). All anonymous Crime Stopper tips are kept confidential and could result in a reward.

Anonymous tips may also be made using the Police Division’s website at: www.newarkpd.org or through our Smartphone App available at iTunes and Google Play. Search Newark Police Division to download the App.

VIDEO LINK: <https://youtu.be/ocsY1pVsyYM>