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Police Arrest Seven Men in August Shooting Incidents, Report 45 Percent Increase in Gun Arrests Year-to-Date

Newark Public Safety Director Fritz G. Fragé reports the arrest of seven men for separate shooting incidents that occurred in August, along with a 45 percent increase in gun arrests year-to-date over the same period in 2021.

“I highly respect the work that our Shooting Response Team is doing to apprehend individuals who commit senseless gun violence on our streets,” Director Fragé said. “So far this year, our officers have made 440 arrests for illegal firearms, reflecting a 45 percent increase over the same period last year. This shows that Newark Police are focused, vigilant, committed to thoroughly investigating shootings, and to keeping our communities safe,” he added.

Justin Segura, 26, of Newark, was arrested on August 31, 2022, in connection with a shooting that occurred on August 13, 2022, at Cutler Street near Park Avenue. A victim’s vehicle was struck by gunfire. No injuries have been reported. Segura faces charges of aggravated assault, CDS distribution, CDS possession, and false swearing.

Mustafa Hosley, 45, of Newark, was arrested on August 24, 2022, in connection with discharging a weapon at the 800 block of Broad Street on August 22, 2022. No injuries have been reported. Hosley is charged with unlawful possession of a weapon, possession of a weapon for an unlawful purpose, and hindering apprehension or prosecution.

Sincere Cooper, 23, of Newark, was arrested on August 23, 2022, and faces charges of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, unlawful possession of a weapon, possession of a weapon for an unlawful purpose, and criminal mischief in connection with a shooting that occurred on August 7th at the 100 block of Wakeman Avenue. No injuries have been reported.

Robert Dean, 21, of Newark, was arrested on August 22, 2022, and faces charges of unlawful possession of a weapon and discharging a weapon within the city limits in connection with an incident that occurred on August 21, 2022, at the 400 block of North 5th Street. Detectives determined that Dean sustained a self-inflicted gunshot wound in this incident.

Ezra Watson, 22, of Newark, was arrested on August 19, 2022, in connection with a shooting at the Marriott Springhill Suites, 651 Routes 1 & 9, on August 11, 2022. No injuries have been reported. Watson is charged with unlawful possession of a weapon and criminal mischief.

Stefan Schwartz, 32, of Newark, was arrested on August 18, 2022, for a shooting that occurred on August 16, 2022, at Pennsylvania Avenue near Murray Street. A woman sustained a non-life-threatening gunshot injury in this incident. Schwartz is charged with aggravated assault, unlawful possession of a weapon, possession of a weapon for an unlawful purpose, and criminal mischief.

Henry Lopez, 42, of Elizabeth, was arrested on August 18, 2022, in connection with a shooting that occurred at 4th Avenue East and Mount Pleasant Avenue on August 9, 2022. A victim's vehicle was struck by gunfire. No injuries have been reported. Lopez faces three counts of aggravated assault with a deadly weapon, unlawful possession of a weapon, and possession of a weapon for an unlawful purpose.

These charges are merely accusations. Each suspect is presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.



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