



## CITY OF MOUNT VERNON, N.Y.

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### **Mount Vernon Police Seek Assistance Identifying Shooter**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE: April 24, 2023

Contact: Office of the Police Commissioner 914-665-2520

Mount Vernon Police are seeking the public's assistance identifying the man responsible for shooting a Mount Vernon woman.

At approximately 5:30 PM, on Friday April 21, 2023, Mount Vernon Police were notified of a shooting at 4 West 3<sup>rd</sup> St. Upon arriving at the location, officers located 45-year-old, Christie Tovia suffering from a gunshot wound to her right hand. Responding officers rendered aide to Ms. Tovia and she was subsequently transported to Jacobi Medical Center for treatment of her injuries. Ms. Tovia is expected to make a full recovery.

Detectives were able to recover video of the incident and are seeking the public's assistance in identifying the perpetrator. The suspect is a male, black, wearing a distinctive backpack with a lion head on it and a rust colored, fedora style hat. Photos of the suspect are attached below.

Mount Vernon Police ask that anyone with information regarding this incident or who knows the identity of the suspect contact the MVPD Detective Division at 914-665-2510, all calls will be kept confidential. You can also submit an anonymous tip via our "Text-A-Tip" by texting "MVPD" and your tip to **847411**. You can also anonymously send information by utilizing the "Mount Vernon PD" app, available in the Google Play and Apple store.

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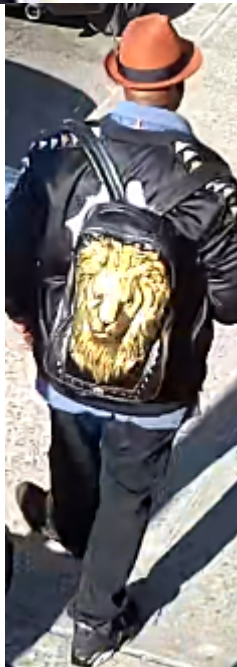
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