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County Police Investigating Homicide in the City of Clairton

Clairton, Allegheny County – At approximately 7:13 p.m. on Wednesday, October 3, 2018, the Clairton Police and paramedics were dispatched to the 500 block of Mulberry Alley behind the Family Dollar Store in response to 9-1-1 calls about a shooting. There they found two people suffering from gunshot wounds. The first was a 40-year-old male with a gunshot wound to the head. He was transported to a local hospital where he died from his wounds. The second was a 42-year-old male who had a gunshot wound to the leg and arm. He was transported to a local hospital where he was treated for non-life threatening wounds.

Detectives from the Allegheny County Police Homicide Unit responded to the scene. Through the course of the investigation it was determined that the two men had become embroiled in a verbal argument which escalated when the 40-year-old man produced a handgun and shot the 42-year-old. A physical altercation ensued during which the 42-year-old man gained control of the handgun and fired it once, striking the 40-year-old. The 42-year-old was cooperative with detectives. Independent witnesses gave accounts of the events that corroborated the 42-year-old's version.

At the conclusion of the investigation, the findings will be reviewed by the District Attorney's office to determine if charges will be filed.

Anyone with information concerning this incident is asked to call the Allegheny County Police Tipline at **1-833-ALL-TIPS** (1-833-255-8477); callers can remain anonymous. The department can also be reached via its social media sites.

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