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County Police Make Arrest in 2019 McKeesport Homicide

Allegheny County – On October 17, 2019 at 11:05 AM, McKeesport Police were dispatched to the Family Dollar located on Versailles Avenue for a male shot. When police and medics arrived, they discovered 24-year-old male with gunshot wounds to the torso. The victim was transported to an area hospital where he died. The investigation showed the victim encountered two males inside the Family Dollar. A struggle ensued and the victim was shot during the struggle. The two males fled the store on foot. They are described as black males wearing dark hooded sweatshirts.

Through the course of the investigation, detectives determined 18-year-old Master William Thornton was one of the individuals responsible for the homicide. Thornton was charged with criminal homicide, criminal conspiracy, robbery and possession of a firearm by a minor. He was transported to the Allegheny County Jail to await arraignment.

Detectives are still working to identify the second individual involved in the homicide.



Master Thornton

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 channels.

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