



PRESS RELEASE

NORMAN POLICE DEPARTMENT

Update, March 8, 2012:

Norman police have identified the victim in this incident as a ten-year-old female, who suffered a gunshot wound to her head from a .22 caliber bullet. She remains in “extremely critical” condition following surgery at OU Medical Center, according to a hospital employee. Police have identified the person firing the shot as a fourteen-year-old male relative of the victim. Although this unfortunate incident may have been an accident, Norman police detectives have not reached a conclusion, and they continue their investigation into the facts and circumstances surrounding the shooting. The incident occurred inside a residence located at 5610 120th Avenue SE, at which the victim was living as a guest.

Norman police encourage all owners of firearms to practice good gun safety--especially in a home where children are present.

Original Release from March 7, 2012 by Lieutenant Chris Dirck :

At approximately 4:40 p.m., the Norman Police Department responded to a reported shooting in rural southeast Norman. Upon arrival, officers located one victim who was transported by EMSTAT to the OU Trauma Center. The victim was in critical condition. The incident is being investigated by the Norman Police Department's Criminal Investigations Division.

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