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## HOWARD COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF POLICE OFFICE OF PUBLIC AFFAIRS

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### **Police identify homeowner, deceased victim in Woodbine shooting**

Howard County police are identifying the homeowner and deceased victim in the Woodbine shooting that occurred overnight.

Charles Dorsey, 56, of Woodbine, shot and killed Gerardo Alberto Espinoza, 46, of Chantilly, VA, as he was trying to get inside Dorsey's home in the middle of the night.

Espinoza, who was wearing no shirt or shoes, was reportedly banging on the front door of Dorsey's residence in the 14000 block of Carriage Mill Road just after 1 a.m., where Dorsey and his wife were sleeping. The residents repeatedly shouted at the man to leave. As Espinoza tried to gain entry, the homeowner fired one shot, striking him. No one else was home at the time of the incident and no one else was injured.

Through preliminary investigation, detectives believe Espinoza had been staying at a friend's house in the neighborhood.

No charges have been filed at this time. The investigation is ongoing.

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