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DATE & TIME **09/22/08 8:06 AM**

Bureau: **Investigative Services Bureau**

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Incident: **Shooting Investigation**

MESSAGE

On Sunday, 09/21/08, shortly before 4:00 a.m. patrol officers from the Rockford Police Department responded to the parking lot of the St. Elizabeth Center, 1536 S. Main St., in reference to a report of shots fired. When they arrived, officers checked the area for any suspicious activity with negative results.

A short time later two shooting victims arrived at local hospitals suffering from injuries apparently received during the shooting incident at the St. Elizabeth Center. The victims were both transported from the scene prior to the police arriving. One of the victims, a 24 year old male of Rockford, was struck in the head by a single bullet and is being treated for a life threatening injury. The second victim, a 26 year-old male of Rockford, was struck in the lower leg and is in stable condition. The names of the two victims are not being released at this time.

Detectives from the Rockford Police Dept. are conducting a follow-up investigation into the shooting and there is no known motive at this time. Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to contact the Rockford Police Department (**815-987-5824**) or Crime Stoppers (**815-963-7867**).

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