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## St. Petersburg Police Investigating a Shooting in Childs Park

Incident: Attempt Homicide

Location: 4301 13 Avenue South (Childs Park Recreation Center)

Time: 8:46 p.m.

Offense #: 2009-028151

On Tuesday April 21, 2009 at 8:46pm, St. Petersburg Police Officers responded to a call of shots fired in the area of Childs Park Recreation Center, 4301 13th Avenue South.

Childs Park Recreation Center was open to the public at the time. Officers arrived on the scene and discovered a 16 year old male with a gunshot wound to his upper body, lying in the parking lot of Childs Park Recreation Center.

The 16 year old victim of the shooting was transported to Bayfront Medical Center as a trauma alert and is currently receiving medical treatment for his wound. There are no other details regarding the victim's medical condition at this time.

Information is still preliminary in this case, but investigators have learned that a group of teens and young adults were part of an informal gathering in the parking lot of the Childs Park Recreation Center when a fight broke out in the group, followed by several gunshots.

One of these gunshots struck the 16 year old victim.

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