

Press Release

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Female Injured in Early Morning Shooting

On Thursday, May 16, 2025, at approximately 12:37 A.M., officers from the Lake City Police Department responded to Cedar Park Apartments, located at 375 NW Bascom Norris Drive, following a FLOCK gunshot detection alert and multiple reports of shots fired.

Upon arrival, officers began canvassing the area and located five shell casings in the parking lot, along with multiple bullet fragments near several apartments. Officers also identified multiple points of impact where rounds had struck the building. While securing the scene, officers encountered a resident who stated she had been struck in the leg by a bullet while standing on her upstairs porch.

Officers established a perimeter, processed the evidence, and interviewed residents and witnesses—most of whom reported hearing gunshots but did not observe the shooting. The injured female was treated on scene and transported by EMS to a local hospital for further evaluation.

“We take every incident of gun violence seriously and are utilizing all available resources to identify those responsible,” said Chief of Police Gerald Butler. “The safety of our residents remains our top priority, and we encourage anyone with information to come forward.”

No suspects have been identified at this time. The investigation remains ongoing by the Criminal Investigations Division. Anyone with information on this or any crime is encouraged to contact the Lake City Police Department at (386) 752-4343 or report information anonymously through the LCPD TIPS line at (386) 719-2068 or Crime Stoppers of Columbia County at (386) 754-7099.



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