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Incident: Homicide Arrest

Date: June 26, 2025

Location: Irving Street and Woodland Street

UPDATE – Homicide Investigation Arrest

Manchester, CT

The Manchester Police Department has made an arrest in connection with the May 20, 2025, homicide of Jordan Patterson.

At approximately 3:56 a.m. on May 20, officers were dispatched to the area of Irving Street and Woodland Street after receiving a report of a vehicle idling on the roadside with an unresponsive driver. Upon arrival, officers discovered a male victim, later identified as Jordan Patterson, 24, of Windsor Locks, seated in the driver's seat. Officers and emergency medical personnel immediately began life-saving measures, but Patterson was pronounced deceased at the scene. An investigation revealed that Patterson had suffered a single gunshot wound to the torso.

Following a comprehensive and collaborative investigation by Manchester Police Detectives, and in coordination with local and federal partners, an extraditable arrest warrant was obtained for **16-year-old Zion Smith of Manchester**. Smith was located and taken into custody in Alabama and extradited to Connecticut.

Smith has been charged with **Murder, Tampering with Physical Evidence, Carrying a Dangerous Weapon, and Unlawful Discharge of a Firearm**. Smith was processed and transported to Hartford Juvenile Detention in accordance with the arrest warrant. Smith will be arraigned today.



Zion Smith Booking Photo

Anyone with information related to this investigation is encouraged to contact **Detective Kaczerski** at the Manchester Police Department by calling **860-645-5500**.

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