



December 20, 2023

## November 25, 2023, Public Square Shooter Identified and in Custody

CLEVELAND - Cuyahoga County Prosecutor Michael C. O'Malley and Cleveland Division of Police (CDP) announced that the suspected shooter in the November 25, 2023, shooting at Public Square has been identified. The 15-year-old male turned himself into CDP this afternoon. He is being detained in the juvenile detention center.

"I want to thank the public for calling in tips and providing law enforcement with the information needed to apprehend this individual," said Prosecutor Michael C. O'Malley. "We will continue to work with our law enforcement partners to ensure our community's safety."

"The Cleveland Division of Police is committed to the safety of our community. We are grateful for the responses we received from the public. We will continue to work with our partners in ensuring that this individual will be held accountable," said Cleveland Division of Police Chief Wayne Drummond.

On November 25, 2023, at approximately 8:40 p.m., a group of individuals was gathered near an RTA bus station near Public Square in downtown Cleveland during the annual WinterLand Cleveland tree lighting festival. An altercation occurred between the group of individuals. The 15-year-old male then fired several shots into a group of people injuring a 13-year-old male and a 15-year-old male. The 15-year-old male then fled the scene. CDP and Cleveland EMS responded to the scene and the two juvenile victims were transported to a nearby hospital and treated for their injuries.

He was charged in juvenile court on the following charges:

- One count of Discharge of a Firearm On or Near Prohibited Premises
- Four counts of Felonious Assault
- One count of Inducing Panic
- One count of Carrying a Concealed Weapon

You can view video of the incident <u>here.</u>