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### **DA RELEASES POTTSTOWN VICTIMS' NAMES, AUTOPSY RESULTS FOR POTTSTOWN HOMICIDE**

NORRISTOWN, Pa. (Oct. 19, 2022) — Montgomery County District Attorney Kevin R. Steele and Pottstown Police Chief Mick Markovich identified the victims in the Oct. 17, 2022 homicide in Pottstown. The deceased were 17-year-old Skyler Fox, of Stowe, and 18-year-old Brandon Bacote-Byer, of Lower Pottsgrove.

The homicide occurred at approximately 11:30 p.m., at Fourth and Johnson Streets. Pottstown Police responded to find the two deceased victims lying by Fox's vehicle. Numerous fired cartridge casings, one projectile and a 9 mm handgun with an obliterated serial number were found at the scene.

An autopsy on each body was performed on Oct. 18, 2022 by forensic pathologist Dr. Julia De La Garza, with the Montgomery County Coroner's Office. Dr. De La Garza ruled that both Fox and Bacote-Byer died of multiple gunshot wounds and the manner of death was homicide.

Anyone with information about the shooting is asked to contact the Pottstown Police Department at 610-970-6570 or call Montgomery County Detectives at 610-226-5553. Anonymous text tips can be submitted using MontcoCrimeTips on the STOPit! app. The STOPit! app can be downloaded for free from the App Store for iPhones or Google Play for Androids, then use code MONTCOPA to get the Montgomery County version of the app.

Approved for release:

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