

MEDIA RELEASE

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HDC employee shot at Olera Heights

An employee attached to the Trinidad and Tobago Housing Development Corporation (HDC) was shot at Olera Heights, San Fernando on Wednesday, February 7, 2024.

Chargehand Anthony London was entering his vehicle on Wednesday afternoon when he was accosted by three men who attempted to steal his jewellery. He resisted and was shot in the leg. The men stole his chain and fled the scene shortly after. Mr. London was taken to the Hospital where he was assessed.

The Trinidad and Tobago Police Service (TTPS) is actively searching for the suspects and will continue investigating this matter. The HDC stands ready to assist the TTPS to ensure those guilty of this crime are brought to justice.

Minister of Housing and Urban Development Camille Robinson-Regis strongly condemned such acts of violence against employees while carrying out their duties. Minister Robinson-Regis reiterated that attacks such as these will not be condoned or tolerated. Chairman of the HDC Noel Garcia rebuked this assault and voiced his concern about the perpetrators who frequent HDC communities. Managing Director of the HDC Jayselle McFarlane shared similar sentiments, particularly the adverse effects these can have on HDC's employees and its residents.

Moving forward, the HDC will review its security policies to ensure the safety of its staff while servicing communities that are considered high-risk. Additionally, the Corporation will review the employees' dress code policy to ensure compliance with company standards.

The HDC empathises with Mr London during this time. Representatives from the Corporation are in contact with him to ensure he receives ample support while at the Hospital. Ms McFarlane maintains constant communication with officials from the Hospital, who provide timely updates on Mr London's status.

Mr London remains in our prayers; we wish him a speedy recovery.

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