



NORTHFIELD POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Press Release Suspected Accidental Drug Overdose Death July 5th, 2018

The Northfield Police Department is investigating a possible accidental drug overdose death. At approximately 2:00 p.m., July 3rd, Northfield Officers responded to a report of an unresponsive female at a residence in the 500 block of Wilson Court. On arrival, officers and medical personnel determined the victim was deceased. Evidence in the immediate area and information from family members indicated the female may have suffered an accidental drug overdose of heroin.

The deceased has been identified as Tessa Jean Schultz, 25 years of age. The Northfield Police Department is asking media and the public to respect the family's grieving and wishes for privacy.

Northfield Police Investigators and Agents from the Cannon Valley Drug Task Force were notified and responded to the location and continue the investigation. The Hennepin County Medical Examiner's Office is assisting the investigation with the autopsy and related tests. No further details are being released at this time, as the investigation continues.

If you have any information related to these or other drug issues, please:

- Call Northfield Police at 507-645-4477 or contact Sergeant P.T. Haider at 507-663-9485.
- Contact Northfield Police via their website at <https://www.ci.northfield.mn.us/PublicLogin.aspx?txtRedirect=RequestTracker.aspx&strAction=Login&newURL=/forms.aspx?fid=105>
- Send an anonymous text "RICECO" to "TIP411"

Over the last several months, area police and medical professionals have seen many examples of illicit drugs (pills and/or powdered heroin) that contained Fentanyl or Carfentanil. Both of these drugs are often lethal in very small amounts. There is no safe way to consume these illicit drugs.

- **If you, a friend, or a family member is struggling with opioid addiction, please consider treatment options and obtain Naloxone to administer in overdose situations. Naloxone is available at area pharmacies and may save a person suffering a drug overdose.**

Northfield Police also remind the community, if you find someone in potential overdose or unresponsive:

- **Call 911 Immediately**
- **Stay on Scene**
- **Provide CPR**
- **Help Emergency Responders with information and drug details**
- **If you notify police, stay on scene, and cooperate, you are protected from prosecution.**