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Drastic Reduction of Homicides and Non-fatal shootings during 2019 Memorial Day Weekend

The Milwaukee Police Department is pleased to announce that over the three-day Memorial Day weekend, the City of Milwaukee experienced no gun-related homicides and 6 non-fatal shootings. There was one vehicle related homicide which is currently under investigation.

Over the previous 14 years, Milwaukee had averaged 2.1 homicides and 9.7 non-fatal shootings. This is the first time Milwaukee has not had a homicide over Memorial Day weekend since 2012 and had the fewest amount of non-fatal shootings since 2013.

We are pleased with the significant decrease in crime; however, we realize that one shooting victim is one victim too many. A 13 year old and a 17 year old were 2 of the 6 victims who were shot this weekend which is unacceptable.

MPD will continue to work to make Milwaukee a safe place to live, work and raise a family, but we cannot do it alone. We need our community partners to assist us in achieving this goal so that everyone in our city can feel safe.

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