



CITY OF MOUNT VERNON

Mount Vernon Police Department

Office of the Chief of Police
5 North Gay Street
Mount Vernon, Ohio 43050-3241



July 23rd, 2026

For Immediate Release

On July 23rd, 2026 at approximately 1:43 AM Patrol officers of the Mount Vernon Police Department responded to a reported disturbance at a single family home in the 700 block of Upper Fredericktown Road, within the City of Mount Vernon.

Upon their arrival the officers made entry into the residence and located a 49 year old female victim. The female was deceased at this time. Officers detained the only other occupant, Jason D. Payne, age 42, a resident of the home.

Detectives from the Mount Vernon Police Department were called to the scene along with investigators from the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI).

This is an active and ongoing investigation. The incident was isolated to the single residence and there is no danger to the public.

The subject, Jason D. Payne, is being held on a probation violation out of Cuyahoga County at this time. Additional criminal charges may be forthcoming and further details of the incident will be released as appropriate.

In accordance with the provisions of Ohio's Marsy's Law, the female victim's identification will not be released at this time.

Respectfully,

Robert K. Morgan
Chief of Police