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Miami man shot dead trying to protect playing children

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USPA News - A man was murdered in Miami Thursday after trying to protect a group of children from a car driving erratically around them, police in the U.S. state of Florida said. No arrests were immediately made.

The incident happened shortly after 6 p.m. on Thursday outside an apartment building in the Allapattah neighborhood in northern Miami, police spokeswoman Kenia Fallat said. She said a yellow Ford Mustang started driving erratically around a group of children which were playing outside and were accompanied by several adults nearby. "The victim, who was concerned for the safety and wellbeing of the children, shouted at the persons inside the vehicle in order to protect them, but an unknown person from inside the vehicle shot at the Good Samaritan, striking him in the head," Fallat said. "When the air cleared, neighbors were grateful nearby children were not injured." The wounded man was rushed to Jackson Memorial Hospital's Ryder Trauma Center, where he died soon after. His identity was not immediately released pending notification of next of kin, but Fallat described the victim as a man in his midtwenties. No arrests were made by late Thursday and police urged anyone with information to contact investigators.

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