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East Palo Alto police officers look at eight bullet casings on the corner of Farrington Way and Kavanaugh Drive on Thursday afternoon where a man was shot at least once in his car. The victim is expected to recover.

# Man shot while driving in E. Palo Alto

## Victim in stable condition; no arrests have been made

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In broad daylight and a block away from busy University Avenue, a gunman opened fire Thursday on a passing vehicle in East Palo Alto, injuring the 28-year-old driver in the leg.

Police arrived at the scene of the shooting — the intersection of Farrington Way and

Kavanaugh Drive — around 1:15 p.m. and found eight 9 mm shell casings. A short while later, police were alerted that a wounded man was in a vehicle on the 2400 block of Gonzaga Street.

Police believe that the shooter was standing on the corner and opened fire on the East Palo Alto resident as he drove north on Far-

rington or west on Kavanaugh.

The victim sustained three separate wounds and was in stable condition Thursday at a local hospital, Det. Jeff Liu said. No arrests have been made, and the motive for the shooting remains a mystery, Liu said.

Near where the man was shot, a girl sat in her car talking on a cell phone. She asked if "he was dead."

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An East Palo Alto police officer searches for bullet holes at the building on the corner of Farrington Way and Kavanaugh Drive on Thursday afternoon where a man was shot at least once in his car.

## SHOOTING

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“Oh man, this is bad,” she said. “Because it’s war.”

A group of residents stood near the shooting victim’s bullet-ridden, late model Pontiac Grand Prix as it was towed from Gonzaga Street. There were three bullet holes in the driver’s side door, one in the side mirror and one in the windshield. The driver’s side window had been blown out.

Police were puzzled, however, when they couldn’t find additional

bullet holes on nearby structures.

The gunshots were first detected by the city’s Shotspotter system, which uses sound waves and GPS to pinpoint the location of gunfire. In this instance, the system beat phoned reports by roughly two minutes, police said.

Anyone with additional information, or who may have witnessed the shooting, is urged to contact the police department at 650-853-3160, or the anonymous tip line at 650-853-3155.

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