

Shooting Near Fort Valley State University Campus leaves 2 injured



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A shooting at a gas station near the historically black college, Fort Valley State University, leaves 2 women injured and the assailant on the run.

In the early hours of Wednesday, October 25, 2023, students and staff received an email informing them about a shooting incident happening near the university. The location of the scene was at the R&R Stop/Gas station on State University Drive, which is half a mile away from Fort Valley State University's main campus. Two women were shot and taken to the hospital for their injuries.

Fort Valley Police apprehended the assailant around 7 a.m. on Wednesday, October 25, 2023. Police identified the shooter as Joseph Tye and took him into custody where he is being held at Peach County LEC. He is being charged with aggravated assault.

While no students were involved, FVSU Campus Police urged students to exercise caution and be alert of their surroundings. The Campus Police are working closely with local authorities to ensure and protect the university's students and community.

If you have additional information about this incident, please contact FVSU Campus Police at 478-825-6211 or 478-825-6500.