

JUSTICE FOR TONY MCDADE:

The three-fold factors of McDade being black, trans, and the lack of video nearly guaranteed his murder wouldn't be covered.

BACKGROUND

- [On the morning of May 27](#), Tony McDade, a Black trans-masculine person was murdered by the Tallahassee Police Department. Since then, the police officer has not been named, body camera footage has not been released, and no charges have been brought to the people responsible.
- Multiple witnesses claim officers immediately opened fire on McDade without shouting orders or identifying themselves as law enforcement.
- [Tallahassee PD are using Marsy's Law](#) which classifies officers as “victims” whose privacy must be protected to justify not releasing the officer’s name
- [Sunshine law](#) says that Florida public has the right to access governmental records (like body cam footage)

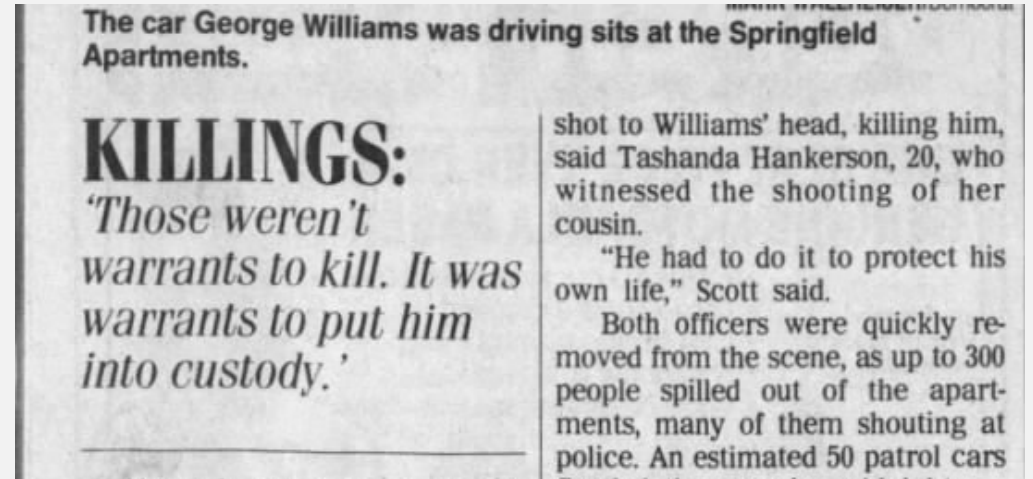


“We don’t know a lot of the details around Tony’s death, or how police became involved. We do know that Tony should not have been killed.”

--David J. Johns, [Executive Director of the National Black Justice Coalition](#)

TALLAHASSEE PD HISTORY

- Lawrence Revell was appointed police chief this past January, [despite his killing of an unarmed black teenager named George Williams](#) in 1996 and participation in the white supremacist Alpha Squad.
- Since his installment in January 2020, the police department has killed three black people: Mychael Johnson, Wilbon Woodard, and Tony McDade.
- [Less than three hours after Tony's murder](#), Chief Revell held a press conference stating he would not release the body camera footage of Tony's killing without being forced to do so. In that same press conference, Chief Revell and his officers blatantly and unapologetically misgendered Tony and lied about facts concerning the case.
- In 2018, all TPD officers were equipped with [body cams](#) that only activate when tasers are used—not guns.



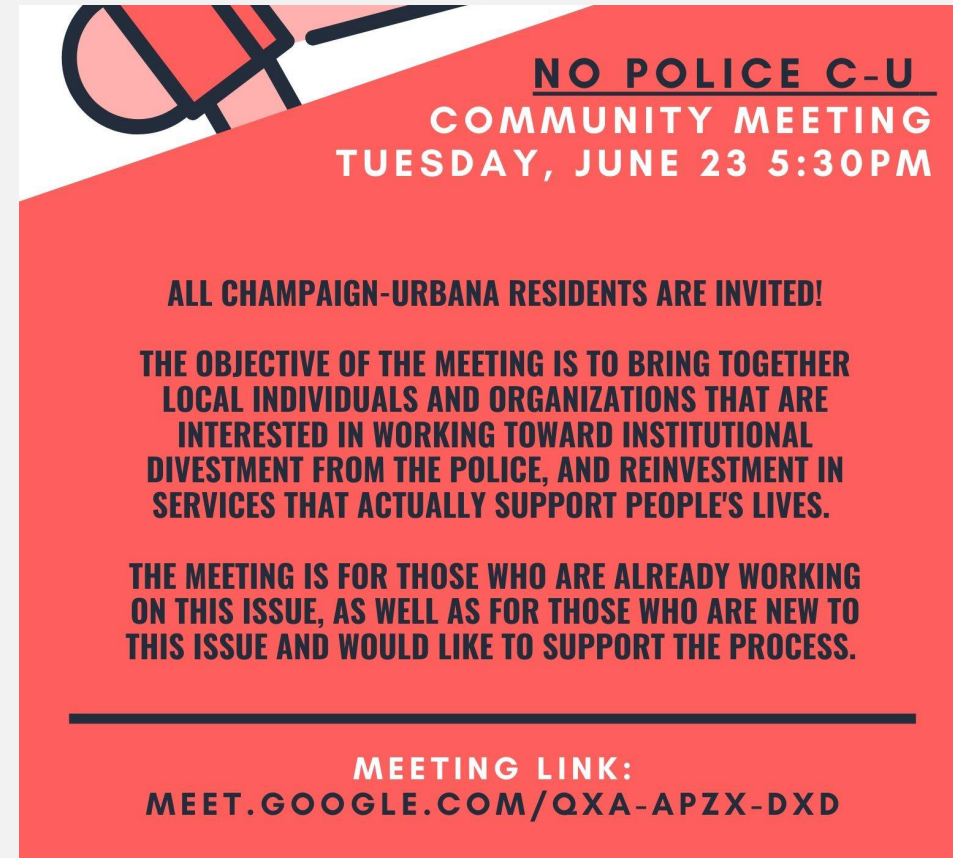
Newspaper clipping covering the murder of George Williams

SUGGESTED SCRIPT

- **Call the Tallahassee Police Department at (850) 891-0000**
- I am calling today because I am outraged about the May 27th killing of an unarmed black transgender man, Tony McDade, by Tallahassee Police Department. Tallahassee has seen three black people (Mychael Johnson, Wilbon Woodard, and Tony McDade) killed by police in under three months with **no officer convictions, official investigations, and no actions taken.**
- My demands are as follows: **(1)** a complete investigation of the officer involved, **(2)** release of the footage from body cams in compliance with the Sunshine law, **(3)** release of the name of the police officer, **(4)** arrest of the officer for the killing of Tony McDade and **(5)** public accounting for what happened to Tony McDade.
- Information given by TPD **contradicts** eyewitness testimony and video footage of the shooting, which show that Tony was **1)** unarmed, **2)** shot 5-8 times in the back, and **3)** that the officer was standing over Tony when the last shot was fired. The contradictions between the police reporting and the facts on the ground must be investigated and cleared up in a transparent process that gives the public a clear accounting of what actually happened.

NOW WHAT?

- It is because of our actions today that Tony McDade isn't another forgotten name, and buried statistic.
- Engage locally
 - State Rep Carol Ammons hosts [Community Advisory Panels](#), including one on criminal justice
 - Participate in the No Police CU committee meetings to learn and use your voice (see flier, right)
- Social media – spread info and get the word out
- Donate
 - [Tony's family fund for burial costs](#)
 - [Tallahassee Community Action Committee](#) (read their [open letter](#) to Tallahassee City Commission in support of a Civilian Police Accountability Council (CPAC))



NO POLICE C-U
COMMUNITY MEETING
TUESDAY, JUNE 23 5:30PM

ALL CHAMPAIGN-URBANA RESIDENTS ARE INVITED!

THE OBJECTIVE OF THE MEETING IS TO BRING TOGETHER LOCAL INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS THAT ARE INTERESTED IN WORKING TOWARD INSTITUTIONAL DIVESTMENT FROM THE POLICE, AND REINVESTMENT IN SERVICES THAT ACTUALLY SUPPORT PEOPLE'S LIVES.

THE MEETING IS FOR THOSE WHO ARE ALREADY WORKING ON THIS ISSUE, AS WELL AS FOR THOSE WHO ARE NEW TO THIS ISSUE AND WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT THE PROCESS.

MEETING LINK:
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