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Murder in Glennville area

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Cleveland police have launched an investigation after two people were found dead at a house on the city's east side. The bodies were discovered just before noon on Monday at a residence in the 10200 block of Hampden Avenue. Cleveland police are calling it a murder/suicide.

According to police, the female victim, 33, had suffered multiple gunshot wounds to her upper body, while the male, 32, had a single gunshot wound to his chest. Both were unresponsive and pronounced dead at the scene. Officers recovered a handgun.

The Cuyahoga County Medical Examiner's office has identified the woman as Rana Peal. The two bodies were found when Antonio Mayo, Peal's brother-in-law, went to check on her.

"We could not reach Rana so we went to her home," said Mayo, who spoke to the Call & Post. "I got there and the door was kicked in with the door knob off. I then went upstairs and found their bodies."

Peal and her ex-boyfriend, Brent Reynolds, had been in a lot physical arguments, said family members. Reynolds and Peal had been separated and she has tried many times to get a restraining order against Reynolds.

Peal who has a young daughter by Reynolds, often feared for her safety. Mayo said that Reynolds would ride up and down Hampden trying to see what Peal was doing; he also said Reynolds had been attacking her since the summer.

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Peal was the mother of four kids, one by Reynolds and three by Paul Morrison. Morrison now has custody of their three kids. Morrison told the C&P that he plans to raise all four of the kids together. “Rana was a great mother to the kids,” said Morrison, who expressed his heartfelt concern in saying that he wishes that he and Peal could have made it as a couple.

Family members shared that when they picked up the youngest daughter; she cried and said “I have no mommy or daddy now.” The family is currently working on funeral arrangements through Strowders Funeral Home.