

Gunshot victim airlifted after alleged Craigslist robbery

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ALTON - An ambulance was called by workers at the Alton **Casey's** on **Fosterberg Road** around 10:30 p.m. Thursday evening to assist a man with a gunshot wound, **Alton Police Chief Jake Simmons** said.

"He walked in covered in blood - an apparent gunshot victim," Simmons said. "He told an employee he needs an ambulance. He said he was up the road trying to buy or sell a vehicle on **Craigslist**."

The alleged Craigslist transaction gone wrong may have occurred near where Fosterberg Road meets I-255 said **Mike Dixon** of the **Madison County Sheriff's Office**, who is assisting with the case.

Dixon confirmed the details given by Simmons, but said he could add no further comment due to the case being an on-going investigation. Simmons said there were conflicting reports about what may have actually occurred.

The victim, whose name has not been released, was airlifted to a St. Louis area hospital where he still remains in stable condition. Neither Dixon or Simmons commented on any possible suspect(s) at this time.