



ATF NIBIN Program Hit of the Week

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The Buffalo (NY) Police Department using NIBIN linked evidence recovered during a homicide to an aggravated assault that occurred a few months later. Buffalo Police Department Officers responded to a shots fired call. When the officers arrived, they observed the victim had been shot once, by an unknown shooter. The victim later died from the wound. One shell casing was recovered at the scene and submitted for entry into NIBIN. Two months later, Buffalo Police Department Officers responded to a call for shots fired with injuries, as a result of a robbery. When the officers arrived they spoke to a victim who stated that the suspect displayed a small gun and stole her jewelry. As she ran down the street, the suspect chased her and fired shots and wounded four people. The suspect was identified and arrested. The weapon recovered from the suspect was test fired, entered into NIBIN at Erie County, New York Services and matched the ballistic evidence that was recovered at the homicide that occurred two months earlier.