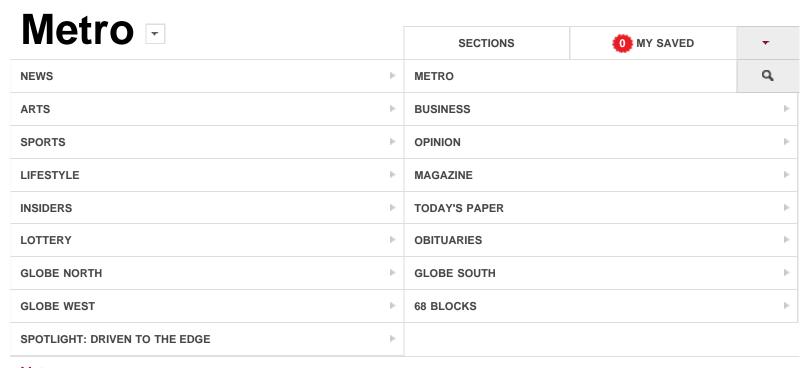
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## Man found dead at South End residence

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A man was found dead, lying face-down on the front stairs of a South End brownstone on Sunday morning, according to Boston police.

Officers found no signs of injury or trauma on the man, who was discovered in front of 148 West Canton St., police said in a statement.

The discovery of the body was reported to police at about 6:40 a.m., said Officer Katherine Shea. She said detectives had cleared the scene just after 10 a.m.

Authorities said they would disclose the man's identity once his next of kin had been notified, according to Jake Wark, a spokesman for the Suffolk district attorney's office. Investigators declined to comment further.

Residents described the street, lined with narrow brick brownstones and wrought-iron fences, as peaceful.



Early Sunday afternoon, yellow caution tape blocked the steps to the home and a small area of sidewalk.

Michael Magoon, 30, said he walked past on his way to work at a nearby Starbucks at about 8:30 a.m. Sunday, and saw what appeared to be someone's feet sticking out in front of the brownstone.

Boston police asked anyone with information to call the department's homicide unit at 617-343-4470.

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Information can also be provided anonymously by calling the CrimeStoppers Tip Line at 1-800-494-TIPS or by texting the word 'TIP' to CRIME (27463).

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