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Teen Gunman Sentenced to 12 Years to Life in Prison for Murder of Innocent Man on Crowded Bus during Rush Hour

Brooklyn District Attorney Ken Thompson announced today that a teenager, Kahton Anderson, has been sentenced to 12 years to life in prison for killing an innocent, hardworking family man on a crowded city bus in Bedford-Stuyvesant during rush hour.

On March 20, 2014, Anderson – a young gang member – was on a B15 bus when three members of a rival gang boarded. Anderson, who was 14-years-old at the time, pulled out a .357 revolver and opened fire. Angel Rojas, 39, was sitting on the bus on his way home from work when he was struck in the back of the head. The defendant then ran off the bus to pursue his rivals and continued to fire until he emptied his gun.

District Attorney Thompson said, “This young man will have many years in prison to think about how his act of senseless gang violence destroyed a family and took the life of an innocent man, Angel Rojas, who left behind a wife and two young children.”