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On Thursday, October 27, 2016, at approximately 10:49 P.M., uniformed officers, in a marked police vehicle, responded to a Police Radio assignment of an intoxicated, suicidal male, armed with a knife, at 3810 Elsinore Street. Upon their arrival, the officers were met by a female complainant who identified herself as the daughter of the suicidal male. The female complainant informed the officers that her father was intoxicated, armed with a knife, and threatening suicide.

The officers entered the residence and observed the male seated in the kitchen, holding a large knife to his chest. The officers ordered the male to drop the knife, but he did not comply. The male then stood up with the knife raised above his shoulder, and moved toward the officers. Officer number one, who is a Crisis Intervention Trained Officer, deployed his Electronic Control Weapon on the offender. The offender removed the Electronic Control Weapon prongs from his torso and again moved toward the officers. In response, Officer number one deployed his Electronic Control Weapon a second time. The offender once again removed the prongs from his torso. The officers then backed away from the offender and exited the residence.

The offender followed the officers to the front door and broke through the frame of screen door as he moved toward the officers with the knife in his hand. Both officers discharged their firearms, striking the offender. The offender fell to the ground, dropping the knife.

The offender was transported to Temple University Hospital for treatment.

The offender's stainless steel knife, with an overall length of fifteen inches, was recovered at the scene.

There were no other injuries as a result of this incident.

*** Information posted in the original summary reflects a preliminary understanding of what occurred at the time of the incident. This information is posted shortly after the incident and may be updated as the investigation leads to new information. The DA's Office is provided all the information from the PPD's investigation prior to their charging decision.