OIS #19-09

On Saturday April 20, 2019, at approximately 6:31 PM, 2nd District Police Officers were responding to a domestic disturbance radio call at 9xx Carver Street. While heading there in a police vehicle, the officers stopped for a red light at the intersection of Loretto and Sanger Streets. At that point, an unknown man, operating a gold vehicle, stopped at the intersection, and pointed in the direction of another male and said, "Male with army fatigue jacket."

Both officers saw a male wearing an army fatigue jacket, leave an alleyway with a female. One officer got out of the patrol wagon and the male fled while holding his waistband. The officer pursued the male on foot on Sanger Street, then south on the 5600 block of Miriam Road, and to the front door of 56xx Miriam Road. The male then turned around, facing the officer while holding a firearm in his hand. The officer discharged his firearm, striking the male in the right side. The male discharged his firearm at the officer multiple times. At that point, the officer's partner and other responding officers arrived on the 5600 block of Miriam Road and observed the initial officer taking cover behind a parked unattended vehicle. The officer's partner, discharged his firearm at the male, who then fled on foot south towards Bridge Street. Both officers re-entered their police vehicle and followed the male towards Bridge Street, while a third officer pursued the male on foot. The male ran toward oncoming traffic at Bridge Street and Roosevelt Boulevard, to the middle of the intersection. He raised the firearm he was holding to his head and fired the gun, striking himself in the head. He was pronounced deceased at the scene by Medics.

The male's firearm, a Smith & Wesson, semi-automatic, 9MM, was recovered at the scene. It was loaded with four (4) rounds of live ammunition in the magazine and one (1) live round in the chamber. The serial number was obliterated.

Seven (7) fired cartridge casings (FCCs) were recovered near the front door of 56xx Miriam Road.

No other injuries were reported as a result of this incident.

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