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12/26/13

On Thursday, 12/26/13, at approximately 9:09 P.M., a pizza delivery driver exited his Hyundai Sonata, with the engine still running and the keys in the ignition, to make a pizza delivery. The offender entered the vehicle and drove away. The pizza delivery driver reported the vehicle theft to the police.

At approximately 9:17 P.M., a uniformed officer, in a marked police vehicle observed the Hyundai and began to follow the vehicle, while notifying Police Radio. At 22nd & Morris Streets, plainclothes officers in an unmarked police vehicle, stopped their vehicle in front of the Hyundai. The plainclothes officers and the uniformed officer approached the Hyundai and the uniformed officer attempted to open the driver's door of the vehicle, while giving verbal commands to the offender.

The offender drove the Hyundai forward, toward one of the plainclothes officers. In response, both the plainclothes officers and the uniformed officer discharged their weapons at the offender, striking him.

The offender drove the Hyundai north on 22^{nd} Street where he struck several vehicles before coming to a stop in the 1100 block of S. 22^{nd} Street. The offender then fled on foot before being apprehended by responding officers. The offender was subsequently identified by the pizza delivery driver.

The offender was transported to the Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania, where he was treated.

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

No weapon was recovered.