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## Coeur d'Alene Police Department

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Coeur D'Alene Police Officers responded to reports of a suspicious van possibly watching young children in the Downtown Area parked in the parking lot behind 821 Sherman Avenue. Upon investigating the van, as the Officer approached along the driver's side, a vicious Pit Bull dog lunged out the open driver's side window toward the Officer's face. The Officer fired one round from his service weapon as the dog lunged, striking the dog in the chest, dispatching it. The Officer was uninjured by the attack. The van was otherwise unoccupied. Officers are currently working to locate the owner of the van.

Police Sergeant Jeff Walther Coeur d'Alene Police Department Patrol Division