

Las Vegas officer returns fire at suspects while - Evening News and Tribune (Jeffersonville-New Albany, IN) - July 17, 2018

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LAS VEGAS (KSNV/CNN) – Las Vegas Police released the body camera video from a police officer who chased two men suspected of killing another.

One of the suspects is dead and the another is in custody after the two attempted to flee from Las Vegas police.

Authorities say the two men were suspected of being involved in a homicide hours before the chase began.

A police camera recorded the intense pursuit from the front seat of a metro patrol car.

For roughly four minutes, Officer William Umana tried to stop a pair of suspected killers - **Fidel Miranda** and Rene Nunez. The pair fired at police 34 times.

While driving, Umana shoots back at the two men, blowing holes in his own windshield.

The pursuit eventually ends near an elementary school when the suspects crash their vehicle.

Miranda, police say, tried to reverse the vehicle towards officers. He was shot and killed.

Nunez ran away and tried to hide on school property where he was eventually caught and arrested.

"When you look at that video you get a clear picture of what officers were dealing with that day. In my opinion, they showed bravery and professionalism, heroics we come to expect from our officers," Las Vegas Metro Police Department Assistant Sheriff Tim Kelly said.

According to police, Miranda and Nunez were well armed and suspected in a homicide from just two hours prior to the pursuit.

According to Kelly, LVMPD policy allows officers to pursue and fire at fleeing suspects if there is imminent danger to others.

"The officer could have backed off - but he didn't. He stuck with it knowing what he was dealing with," Kelly said.

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