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York City Police Officer Kyle Pitts remains in stable condition at Penn State Hershey Medical Center, recovering from injuries after he was shot Thursday, according to a city police news release on Sunday.

"Along with his injuries, Officer Pitts along with all members of the York City Police Department are coping with the loss of our friend and brother Deputy Christopher Hill," the news release states.

Pitts, a 10-year-veteran of the department, underwent surgery Thursday after being shot while helping the U.S. Marshals serve a warrant in Harrisburg.

"He's one of the best officers that we've had here," Chief Troy Bankert said during a news conference late Thursday afternoon.

Pitts, Hill and a Harrisburg Police officer were serving a warrant on a female fugitive about 6 a.m. Thursday in Harrisburg.

Using a warrant, the men entered a home to arrest Shayla Lynette Towles Pierce, who was wanted by the Harrisburg Bureau of Police for terroristic threat offenses.

While arresting Pierce, the officers were fired upon by someone on the second floor of the house, officials said. Soon after, a man ran out the front of the home, firing at the officers. The officers returned fire, killing the man later identified as **Kevin Sturgis**, 31, of Philadelphia.

Hill, 45, of Conewago Township 'died a hero' Thursday morning, said US Attorney David Freed.

Pitts was wounded and the Harrisburg police officer was struck in his body armor by a projectile, and was not seriously wounded, officials said.