Officer-Involved Shooting 300 Block of L Street

Below is a summary of the events known to us at this time. The investigation into this incident is in the preliminary stages, and details may change as information becomes available.

On September 12, 2023, at approximately 1:01 a.m., Sacramento Police Department patrol officers responded to a parking garage in the 300 block of L Street regarding a man armed with a gun and pointing it at multiple security guards. The complainant provided a detailed description of the individual. Upon arrival, officers located the individual, who had a firearm in his hand. Officers attempted to talk to the individual, however he did not follow orders to put the firearm down.

A perimeter was established, and our Crisis Negotiation Team, Uncrewed Aerial Systems Unit, and SWAT Team responded to the scene. De-escalation techniques were attempted for several hours. While on-scene, officers saw the individual fire the gun. Throughout this incident the individual repeatedly brandished a firearm. During this encounter, the individual pointed the firearm at officers, and an officer-involved shooting occurred. A SWAT officer discharged their duty weapon one time, striking the individual.

Officers rendered emergency medical aid until relieved by Sacramento Fire Department personnel. Despite these efforts, the male was pronounced deceased on scene.

Officers recovered a firearm at the scene (pictured below). No officers were injured during the encounter.

The Sacramento County Coroner’s Office will release the identity of the deceased after the next of kin have been notified.

This incident is being investigated by the Sacramento Police Department’s Homicide Unit, Internal Affairs Division, and Professional Standards Unit. An investigation into the incident will also be conducted by the Force Investigation Team. The investigation will focus on policy, tactics, and training as it relates to the use of force. The Office of Public Safety Accountability and the Sacramento County District Attorney’s Office are providing oversight by monitoring the investigation.

This incident falls under the City Council’s policy on Police Use of Force as well as SB 1421. As a result, all pertinent video and audio associated with this incident will be released to the public within 30 days. Detectives are in the process of identifying and retrieving video associated with this incident.

The Sacramento Police Department encourages any witnesses with information regarding this incident to contact the dispatch center at (916) 808-5471 or Sacramento Valley Crime Stoppers at (916) 443-HELP (4357). Callers can remain anonymous and may be eligible for a reward up to $1,000. Anonymous tips can also be submitted using the free “P3 Tips” smartphone app.
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