



ANAHEIM POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Subject: ****UPDATE**** Officer Involved Shooting: 900 block of S. Roberts St.

At 5:30 P.M., Anaheim Police Officers were called to investigate a stabbing at a laundromat in the 900 block of S. Euclid St. Reports indicated a female suspect stabbed a female laundromat patron with a knife. As officers were responding, the female armed with the knife fled the scene. Area residents and business owners knew the woman, who was suspected in the stabbing lived in a nearby apartment complex. Witnesses directed officers to the apartment of Monique Jenee Deckard, in the 900 block of S. Roberts St. Officers attempted to make contact with Deckard, who was reported to live alone. Deckard, talking to officers through the closed apartment door, indicated she was not coming out to speak with officers. An Anaheim Police Tactical Negotiator was on-duty and requested to the scene. However, before the negotiator arrived Deckard emerged from the apartment. She was armed with two knives and charged officers who were in the courtyard of her apartment complex. At this time, several Anaheim Police Officers were involved in an officer involved shooting. Deckard was struck by the gunfire and transported to a local hospital by Anaheim Fire & Rescue Paramedics. She was pronounced deceased shortly after arrival.

No officers were injured. The injury to the original stabbing victim was to her torso/back and was not life threatening. Several officers involved in this incident were equipped with body worn cameras. The footage captured by these cameras will be provided to the Orange County District Attorney's Office, the lead investigating agency in Anaheim officer involved shootings.

Earlier today, around 3:30 P.M. Anaheim Police Officers were called to "Check the Welfare" of a female who resides in an apartment in the 900 block of S. Roberts St. Concerned family members called the Anaheim Police Department to report unusual behavior from their 43 year-old relative, Monique Jenee Deckard. Friends of the family had called to report Deckard was trying to find or buy a firearm. The family's attempts to contact Deckard were unsuccessful. They are aware she has a history of mental instability and asked the police to respond to Deckard's residence to check her welfare. Officers responded to Deckard's residence but did not locate her.

This is the first officer involved shooting in Anaheim this year. Attached to this release is a copy of the 9-1-1 call regarding the laundromat stabbing.

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