



# PRESS RELEASE

*City of Pueblo Police Department*

## Man Shot Attempting to Recover Stolen Vehicle

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On Wednesday, February 26, 2020 at approximately 11:00 a.m., Pueblo police officers responded to the area of East 4<sup>th</sup> Street and Erie Avenue regarding a shooting. One male had been shot in the hand and was transported to a local hospital.

Officers investigated and discovered that a male auto theft victim received information that his stolen car was on East 8<sup>th</sup> Street. The auto theft victim and his father responded to the area and located the stolen vehicle, which was occupied by a male suspect. The auto theft victim and his father followed the stolen car as the suspect drove to the area of East 4<sup>th</sup> Street and Erie Avenue. Once there, the suspect stopped, and the auto theft victim and his father approached the stolen vehicle on foot. The auto theft victim and his father attempted to physically pull the suspect out of the stolen car when the suspect produced a handgun and fired. The auto theft victim's father, a 62-year-old male, was struck in the hand.

During the physical confrontation with the suspect, the auto theft victim dropped his cellphone in the stolen car. Officers then used the cellphone signal to track the stolen vehicle to the 2000 block of Cambria Drive. Officers converged on the vehicle but the suspect was no longer inside.

As of the drafting of this press release, detectives with the Pueblo Police Department Crimes Against Persons Section are investigating and attempting to identify the suspect. The suspect was described as a Hispanic male wearing a sports jersey.

The gunshot victim was treated for his injury, which was not considered life-threatening.

If you have any information about this incident, please call Detective Ryan Torres at (719) 553-3335.

To remain anonymous, contact Pueblo Crime Stoppers at **542-STOP (542-7867)** or [www.pueblocrimestoppers.com](http://www.pueblocrimestoppers.com). If your information leads to a felony arrest, you could be eligible for a cash reward.

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