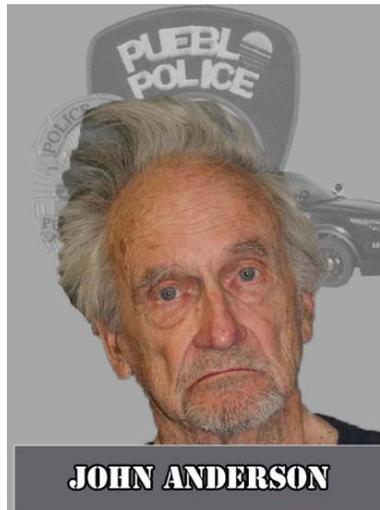




PRESS RELEASE

City of Pueblo Police Department
Male Arrested in Shooting

February 24, 2020 [FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE]



On Monday, February 22, 2020 at approximately 10:00 p.m., Pueblo police officers responded to a residence in the 600 block of Colorado Avenue on a report of a shooting that had just occurred. The reporting party, who was in the home when the shooting occurred, called 9-1-1 and told the Communications Center that a female had been shot and was not moving. The reporting party stated that the victim had been arguing with the reporting party's husband when she heard a gunshot.

Officers arrived and safely took 83-year-old John Anderson into custody outside of the residence. Officers then entered the home and located the victim, who had been shot in her upper shoulder/lower neck area. The victim was conscious and able speak with officers. Officers were able to obtain a statement from the victim, both prior to and during her transport to a local hospital with serious injuries. Further investigation confirmed what the reporting party had initially stated to the Communications Center during her 9-1-1 call; the victim had been engaged in an argument with Anderson (the reporting party's husband), and that Anderson ultimately shot the victim. Though the relationship between the parties is unknown, the victim had recently been residing with the suspect and reporting party.

Anderson was booked into the Pueblo County Detention Center and charged with 1st Degree Assault.

As of the drafting of this press release, the victim was still hospitalized with serious but non-life-threatening injuries.

The information contained in this press release is based on preliminary information available at the time of its drafting. The Pueblo Police Department's understanding of this incident may change as additional evidence is collected, analyzed and reviewed. The purpose of this press release is to provide timely information to the public. In consideration of the foregoing, please be advised that any statements expressed herein are subject to change at any time.

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