



# PRESS RELEASE

*City of Pueblo Police Department*

## Shooting Investigation Arrest



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On June 25, 2021, at approximately 2222 hours, Pueblo police officers were dispatched to a fight with weapons / shots fired call at the carnival taking place in the Pueblo Mall parking lot. When officers arrived on scene, they did not locate anyone involved in the incident.

Officers were initially unable to locate any victims/suspects/shell casings from this incident. Detectives with the Criminal Information Section (CIS) were able to determine that two juvenile males were fist fighting with a large crowd around them watching. One of the two juvenile males involved in the altercation was handed a gun by someone in the crowd, and he started to shoot recklessly toward the other juvenile and everyone else in the area.

Detectives were able to identify the shooter as well as the individual who provided him with the gun. Both suspects are juvenile males. The suspect who provided the handgun was already in custody for a parole violation. The shooter remains at large. Both juveniles were charged with Criminal Attempt 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Assault, Reckless Endangerment, and Possession of Handguns by Juveniles.

This was a gang-related incident.

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