



PRESS RELEASE

City of Pueblo Police Department

Officer-Involved Shooting



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On Tuesday, June 28, 2022, at approximately 7:47am, a dark colored Ford F350 attempted to steal an ATM from the Sunflower bank on the southside of Pueblo. During the incident, the suspect fired a rifle at a witness in the area. Officers arrived on scene and were able to locate the truck which then led officers on a pursuit. The pursuit was eventually terminated due to excessive speeds in a residential area and failure to obey traffic signals. It was later found, the F350 was a stolen vehicle.

At approximately 3:30pm, officers located the stolen Ford F350 truck driving in the area of W. Pueblo Blvd and Lake Ave. The vehicle stopped in the parking lot of a business in the area. While officers were establishing a perimeter, the occupants of the vehicle were able to escape. Officers were notified by nearby civilians, that the suspects had carjacked a 70-year-old female in a parking lot of a business across the street.

The suspects led officers on a pursuit through Pueblo for approximately 20 min. Officers attempted to end the pursuit with stop sticks but they were ineffective. As officers continued to pursue, the occupants inside the suspect vehicle pointed at least one firearm out the window and began firing rounds at officers while driving. One officer returned fire in attempt to stop the threat to themselves and the community. The suspect vehicle continued south of Pueblo to mile marker 86 where a PIT (pursuit intervention technique) maneuver was used to disable the vehicle and end the pursuit.

All three occupants of the vehicle were taken into custody on scene. Two occupants suffered injuries and were transported to a local hospital. A third occupant was not injured. All officers involved were uninjured.

The 10th Judicial District CIT (Critical Incident Team) led by the Pueblo County Sheriff's Office, will handle the investigation. The involved officers were placed on administrative leave per standard protocol.

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 Pueblo Police Department does not draw any conclusions about whether the officers acted consistent with our policies and the law until all the facts are known and the investigation is complete. 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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