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## LVMPD Investigates 20<sup>th</sup> Officer Involved Shooting of 2018

On October 10, 2018, at approximately 7:31 a.m. LVMPD traffic officers were dispatched to an accident near the area of South Rainbow Boulevard and Gary Avenue. Upon arrival the officers made contact with the occupants of the three vehicles involved. The driver of one of the vehicles involved appeared to be under the influence of alcohol.

The officers asked the driver to submit to field sobriety testing, but he refused. As the officers attempted to place him into custody, the suspect ran away into the desert area. The suspect picked up a firearm from a bush and pointed it towards the officers and fired one round. Officers returned fire, striking the suspect. Medical personnel pronounced the suspect deceased on scene.

During the investigation, witnesses advised detectives that the suspect had hidden an item in the bush prior to the officers' arrival. It has been determined that the item was the firearm he used during this incident.

This is the 20<sup>th</sup> officer involved shooting of 2018. Per LVMPD policy, the identity of the officers involved will be released after 48 hours.

Captain Jamie Prosser provided a brief statement regarding this incident. The video can be viewed by clicking on the following link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4ulE0J5yXXk&feature=youtu.be>

This is an ongoing investigation. Anyone with any information about this incident is urged to contact the LVMPD Force Investigation Team at 702-828-8452. To remain anonymous, contact Crime Stoppers by phone at 702-385-5555, or on the internet at [www.crimestoppersofnv.com](http://www.crimestoppersofnv.com).

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