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LVMPD Investigates 12th Officer Involved Shooting for 2015

At approximately 1:59 a.m. on November 24, 2015 an LVMPD patrol officer in a marked police unit conducted a records check on the license plate of a Mitsubishi Mirage. The DMV record came back to a different type of vehicle and the officer initiated a vehicle stop in the 1700 block of Karen Avenue. The vehicle did not stop and the officer did not pursue.

A short time later, another LVMPD patrol officer located the vehicle without lights on moving slowly Eastbound on Katie. The vehicle did not appear to be occupied and the officer positioned his patrol car in front of the Mitsubishi and successfully blocked it from entering the intersection of Katie Avenue and South Maryland Parkway.

Other arriving officers were advised the driver of the Mitsubishi was seen going into the Katie Avenue entrance to the French Oaks Apartments. As officers entered the complex they observed a security guard escorting a male subject off of the property. An officer attempted to talk with the subject, but he did not comply with the officer's verbal commands and he ran into a small enclosure within the parking lot of the complex.

Officers followed the subject into the enclosure. The subject ignored repeated commands to show his hands which were positioned behind his back. One of the officers deployed an Electronic Control Device (Taser) and the subject fell to the ground. The Taser was ineffective and allowed the subject to lunge toward a firearm that was on the ground near him. Three officers fired their duty weapons at the suspect and he was struck several times. Medical assistance was immediately summoned, and the suspect was transported to the Sunrise Trauma Center where he was later pronounced deceased.

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This is the 12th officer involved shooting of 2015. Per LVMPD policy, the identity of the officers involved will be released after 48 hours. The identity of the suspect, as well as the cause and manner of death will be released by the Clark County Coroner's Office.

Captain Matt McCarthy of the LVMPD Office of Internal Oversight and Constitutional Policing provided a brief statement regarding this incident. The video can be viewed by clicking on the following link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vZuMc9h2bjE>.

This is an ongoing investigation. Anyone with any information is urged to contact the LVMPD Force Investigation Section at 702-828-8452. To remain anonymous, contact Crime Stoppers by phone at 702-385-5555, on the internet at www.crimestoppersofnv.com, or text CRIMENV plus tip information to 274637 (CRIMES). Message and data rates may apply.

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