Media Advisory

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Subject: Officer Involved Shooting and Pursuit
Case Number: 16-012257

Details:

On August 26, 2016 at approximately midnight, Huntington Beach Police officers responded to a call of a domestic violence incident at a residence in the area of Yorktown Ave and Bushard St.

When the officers arrived, the male suspect involved in the incident got into a vehicle and fled the residence. Officers followed the suspect onto Yorktown where the suspect made a U-turn and shot at the officers with an unknown-caliber gun. One round went through the windshield of one officer’s vehicle, striking his badge. The round deflected off of the officer’s badge. Another officer was able to return fire.

After the officer-involved shooting occurred, the pursuit of the suspect resumed into the city of Costa Mesa. During the pursuit, officers lost sight of the suspect. The Costa Mesa Police Department and Huntington Beach Police helicopter relocated the suspect and continued onto the 55 freeway and to the 15 freeway. The California Highway Patrol took over the pursuit northbound on the 15 freeway when the suspect vehicle veered off the side of the road near the Cleghorn Road exit. The vehicle caught fire. After the fire was extinguished it was determined that the suspect was deceased.

The officer shot sustained non-life threatening injuries and was treated and released from a local hospital.

As per our protocol, the Orange County Sheriff’s Department investigates Huntington Beach Police Department’s officer-involved shootings. Their investigation is ongoing and all further press inquiries and information will be handled by the Orange County Sheriff’s Department.