
LANE COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE
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CASE NUMBER: 18-0307

DATE/ TIME OF INCIDENT: 1/15/2018 4:51 pm

DATE/TIME OF RELEASE: 1/16/2018 3:30 pm

NATURE OF STORY: Update: Deceased Suspect in Officer Involved Shooting on Clairmont Drive Identified

DECEASED: Robert Martinez Jr., 42 y/o male, Deadwood

DETAILS:

On 1/15/2018, the Lane County Sheriff's Office responded to a report of a stolen vehicle at the 500 block of Clairmont Drive in north Eugene. The deputy approached the vehicle and the male suspect exited the car from the driver's side and was uncooperative with the deputy. The suspect, who was in possession of a firearm, was shot by the deputy and subsequently transported to the hospital for medical attention. The suspect was later pronounced deceased.

The suspect has been identified as 42 year old Robert Martinez Jr. of Deadwood.

The incident is being investigated by the Lane County Interagency Deadly Force Investigation Team (IDFIT) and is ongoing. At this time, the passenger of the vehicle has been identified and is cooperating with authorities. The passenger has not been charged with any criminal offense. Due to the ongoing nature of the investigation, the passenger is not being identified at this time. There are no outstanding suspects in this case and there is no indication that there is an ongoing threat to the public in connection with this case.

The next release of information will be after the District Attorney's Office has reviewed the case.

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Prior News Release 1/15/2018

On January 15, 2018, the Lane County Sheriff's Office received a report of a stolen vehicle (white, Honda Accord) at the 500 block of Clairmont Drive in the River Road area of Eugene. A Lane County Sheriff's Deputy responded to the area at approximately 4:51 pm and observed two occupants in the vehicle. As the deputy approached the vehicle the male driver exited the car and was uncooperative with the deputy. The driver, who was in possession of a firearm, was shot by

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the deputy and subsequently transported to the hospital for medical attention. The male, who is not being identified pending next of kin notification, was later pronounced deceased. None of the responding deputies or officers reported any injuries in connection with this incident.

The second occupant of the vehicle is a male who has been identified by Lane County Interagency Deadly Force Investigation Team (IDFIT) investigators and has been contacted by law enforcement.

The details of this incident are being investigated by IDFIT, which is comprised of law enforcement officers from multiple agencies who are tasked with investigating deadly force events in Lane County.

We would like to thank the multiple agencies that responded to the scene to assist, including the Oregon State Police, the Eugene Police Department, the Cottage Grove Police Department, the Springfield Police Department, the Florence Police Department, Santa Clara Rural Fire, and Eugene Springfield Fire Department.

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