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UPDATED NEWS RELEASE - OFFICER-INVOLVED SHOOTING

Menifee, CA – The officers involved in the November 17, 2023, officer-involved shooting have been identified as Sergeant Terence York and Officer Christopher Portman. Both the sergeant and the officer are assigned to Patrol Operations.

The investigation is still ongoing. We will be releasing a Critical Incident Community Debrief Video within 45 days of the incident date.

ORIGINAL NEWS RELEASE - OFFICER-INVOLVED SHOOTING

Menifee, CA – On Friday, November 17, 2023, at approximately 8:49 p.m., officers from the Menifee Police Department were dispatched to a domestic violence investigation in the 25000 block of Mountain Glen Circle. Information provided to dispatch indicated a male inside the home, identified as 29-year-old Freddy Robles, was assaulting his girlfriend and was armed with a handgun. The caller expressed members of the household were fearful of Robles and needed help. Prior to officers arriving, Robles left the location only to return to the neighborhood shortly after officers arrived. Upon his sighting of officers, he drove away again at a high speed and a pursuit was initiated. The pursuit lasted only a few minutes as Robles led officers back to the residence, where he exited his vehicle and attempted to force entry into the home.

Officers surrounded Robles and attempted to gain compliance with verbal commands but he ignored them and continued his attempt to force open the front door. The use of less-than-lethal options was unsuccessful, and Robles turned toward officers while reaching for his handgun in the front of his waistband and an officer-involved shooting occurred. The suspect was struck by the officers' gunfire and upon removing his weapon, was immediately provided medical assistance. Officers and responding paramedics attempted lifesaving first aid measures at the scene and transported Robles to a local hospital where he later succumbed to his injuries.

The firearm found on Robles was determined to be loaded. The two officers involved in the officer-involved shooting were not injured. Per department policy, the involved officers will be placed on paid administrative leave, pending an investigation.

The officer-involved shooting is being investigated independently by the Riverside County Force Investigations Detail, which includes representatives of the Riverside County Sheriff's Department and the Riverside County District Attorney's Office.

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