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POLICE INVESTIGATE OFFICER-INVOLVED SHOOTING IN PARADISE HILLS

San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit detectives are investigating an officer-involved shooting that occurred in Paradise Hills.

At approximately 5:35 p.m., an officer on patrol saw two people fighting in front of a business on 2300 Reo Drive. The officer notified Police Communications and requested assistance. A second officer was close by and responded to the scene.

When the cover officer arrived, he was directed to contact a male who ran into a bakery. As the cover officer entered the bakery, a man and a woman exited the business. They appeared frightened. The cover officer entered the business and found a male, later identified as Isaac Edeza, 28, hiding in the back. The officer drew his weapon and repeatedly ordered Edeza to get on the ground but he refused. The officer was unaware that Edeza had just exited a stolen car that was reportedly taken during a carjacking. Edeza approached the officer with his arms extended, but the officer was able to kick him twice to keep him back. When Edeza approached again, his arm made contact with the officer's firearm. Believing that Edeza was attempting to overpower him, the officer quickly turned and fired one round that struck Edeza.

Edeza fled the bakery and entered the home of an elderly couple through a bathroom window. During a door to door search for the suspect, he was discovered in the Rancho Drive residence and taken into custody.

Edeza was transported to a local hospital and is in stable condition. He will be charged with parole violation and other charges related to this incident.

The officer involved in the shooting is a 22 year veteran of the Department.