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Chula Vista Officer -Involved Shooting in Spring Valley

San Diego – The San Diego Police Department Homicide Unit is investigating an officer-involved shooting that occurred in Spring Valley involving Chula Vista Police.

On Thursday, January 29, 2026, at approximately 5:26 p.m., Chula Vista Police Officers were investigating a report of domestic violence possibly involving a firearm in their city. While on scene, they were directed to a vehicle possibly being driven by the subject of the complaint. Officers attempted to contact the driver and ordered him to stop. The driver accelerated toward one of the officers, nearly striking him with the vehicle. The driver fled, initiating a pursuit.

The pursuit continued until the driver collided with a vehicle occupied by two people near the intersection of Sweetwater Rd. and Tyler St. in Spring Valley. The suspect exited his vehicle and shot at the pursuing officers with a handgun as he attempted to escape. One officer and one sergeant returned fire, striking the suspect in the leg. Officers rendered aid to the man until he was transported by paramedics to a nearby hospital. He is currently being treated for non-life-threatening injuries. Once medically cleared, the man will be booked into county jail for numerous charges, including attempted murder of a police officer.

One of the occupants from the vehicle the suspect struck was transported to the hospital with a complaint of pain but has since been released. No officers were injured.

San Diego Police Homicide Detectives were called to investigate per the countywide memorandum of understanding regarding officer-involved shootings. Officer-involved shooting investigations are extremely thorough, as is the review process. When Homicide completes its investigation, it will be reviewed by the San Diego County District Attorney's Office to determine if the officers bear any criminal liability for their actions. The Chula Vista Police Department will conduct an administrative investigation into the officer's discharge of their firearms. The Federal Bureau of Investigations and the United States Attorney's Office will also be monitoring the investigation.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call the Homicide Unit at (619) 531-2293 or Crime Stoppers at (888) 580-8477.

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