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*****UPDATE TO MA# 10-2020**

Police Involved Shooting During Barricade

The investigation into the police involved shooting, which occurred on, 10 E. Mithoff Street continues.

The officers involved are identified as:

PO Keith Kise #1860	24-year veteran
PO Robert Vass #1780	26-year veteran
PO Troy Palmer #1586	28-year veteran
PO Jason Sprague #1891	24-year veteran

All the officers involved are assigned to the SWAT Unit.

The suspect is identified as 60-year-old Charles W. Cline.

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On Thursday, February 13, 2020, at approximately 1:29 pm officers were dispatched to 10 E. Mithoff Street on a caller who was a health care professional (victim) who had been there to check on the well-being of a client. When the victim knocked on the door, the suspect answered the door with a gun and pointed it at the victim. The victim was able to escape and contacted officers on the phone who arrived on the scene. When the officers attempted to make contact, the suspect barricaded himself in the residence.

SWAT was contacted and arrived on the scene and made numerous attempts to contact the suspect to come out of the house. After several hours of attempted communication without success, SWAT utilized tools to get inside the house to further communication and get the suspect out. SWAT officers made entry and were confronted by the suspect. SWAT officers fired their guns and took the suspect into custody.

The Suspect was transported to Grant Medical Center in serious condition and at the time of this email is still listed in serious condition. The Critical Incident Response Team (C.I.R.T) as well as the Crime Scene Search Unit (C.S.S.U.) were processing the scene. The investigation is ongoing.

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