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OFFICER-INVOLVED SHOOTING INVESTIGATION

RIVERSIDE, CA – On Sunday, July 22, 2018, at approximately 12:55 a.m., the City of Riverside's Public Safety Dispatch Center received multiple calls of "shots heard" in the area of the 600 block of West Blaine Street, located in the neighborhood behind the University of California, Riverside campus. At the same time, a student worker with the university heard gunshots and reported it to the UCR Police Department's Dispatch Center. Officers with the UCR Police Department were first to arrive in the area and observed a lone male adult subject walking north on Watkins Drive, east of West Blaine Street. As they went to contact the male, he produced a firearm and an officer-involved shooting occurred. The male was ultimately taken into custody with the assistance of officers from the Riverside Police Department. He was found to be in possession of two firearms, along with a third improvised firearm.

The male subject was transported to a local hospital where he remains in critical condition. No officers or bystanders were injured. This incident did occur off campus grounds, so no students, faculty, or staff were affected.

The Riverside Police Department's Robbery – Homicide Unit, along with Specialists with the Forensics Unit, responded to assume the investigation. They were assisted by the Riverside County District Attorney's Office and Riverside County Sheriff – Coroner's Office.

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Riverside Police Detectives are currently working in conjunction with the UCR Police Department in this investigation.

There are no other details available at this time. If anyone has information regarding this investigation, please contact Detective Karla Corbett (951) 353-7134 or kcorbett@riversideca.gov, or Detective Rick Cobb at (951) 353-7135 or rcobb@riversideca.gov.

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