



# PCFIT

Pierce County Force Investigation Team



# Press Release

## **Update: Tacoma Police Officer Involved Shooting, 4000 Block of South D Street.**

### **Lakewood, WA. September 24th, 2020:**

This investigation remains active but there are no significant developments to report.

### **Lakewood, WA. September 17th, 2020:**

This investigation remains active but there are no significant developments to report.

### **Lakewood, WA. September 10th, 2020:**

This investigation remains active after the booking of Antonio Bradley in the Pierce County Jail. The victim from the initial shooting in this case has stabilized but he is still in the hospital recovering from gunshot injuries. Ballistic evidence has been submitted for lab examination and reports continue to be compiled.

Through witness statements and officer interviews it appears as though officers arrived in the area of 40<sup>th</sup> and D Street to begin canvassing for witnesses to the original 911 call of shots fired. As they were initially beginning to investigate a male came out of a nearby residence and started advancing on and shooting at the officers with a pistol. The three officers that were on scene all returned fire at the suspect. The suspect went down next to a vehicle on scene and was taken into custody. Officers then rendered appropriate medical care and aid and helped transition the suspect into the care of arriving medics.

**For Immediate Release, 3:00 PM, September 24<sup>th</sup>, 2020**

The Tacoma Police Department is releasing the identities of the three involved Officers:

- Sergeant Brandon Mires is 37 years old and has been with the Tacoma Police Department for 12 years;
- Police Patrol Specialist Sylvester Weaver is 61 years old and has been with the Tacoma Police Department for 29 years;
- Officer Bret Terwilliger is 37 years old and has been with the Tacoma Police Department for 13 years.

All three officers are currently on paid administrative leave per Tacoma Police Department policy

Questions regarding this case can be sent to:

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## Suspect booked into Pierce County Jail

### **Lakewood, WA. September 4<sup>th</sup>, 2020:**

The suspect in this shooting incident has been released from the hospital and has been booked into the Pierce County Jail for two counts of Assault in the First Degree and one count of Unlawful Possession of a Firearm. The suspect is not being named as he has not been officially charged yet.

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## **Tacoma Police Officer Involved Shooting**

Officers involved in a shooting outside a home in the 4000 block of South D Street .

### **Tacoma, WA. September 2, 2020:**

On September 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2020, at approximately 7 AM, Tacoma Police received multiple reports of shots fired and a female and male screaming in the 3800-4000 block of South D Street in Tacoma. Callers stated that a vehicle was seen leaving the scene and that a male with a gun was seen near a home in the 4000 block of South D Street.

Officers responded and arrived in the area at approximately 7:02 AM. Responding officers exchanged gunfire with the suspect outside the home at the 4000 block of South D Street. Officers called out shots fired at 7:06 AM and requested medical aid. The suspect was hit and was taken into custody and transported to a local hospital. Three officers were involved in the shooting and none of them sustained any injuries.

It was later discovered that the vehicle that had fled the original shooting call ended up at a local hospital with a shooting victim inside. That victim is in stable condition.

The suspect is reported to be in stable condition.

The initial shooting call and the officer involved shooting will be investigated by the Pierce County Force Investigation Team (PCFIT), which is made up of personnel from all of the Pierce County Law Enforcement agencies and the Washington State Patrol.