

## **IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

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## Shooting Investigation DUI / Vehicular Assault Investigation / Arrest

Tacoma, Wash. – On February 5, at 1:38 a.m., South Sound 911 received a call from a female in the 3500 block of S. Union Avenue who said she had just been shot in a drive-by shooting. Officers located the female near a Tacoma Public Utilities guard shack and immediately started life-saving measures. The 32-year-old victim was transported to a local hospital with life-threatening injuries.

A 31-year-old male who had been in the front passenger seat of the victim vehicle was uninjured. The passenger said that the victim had just made a left hand turn on to S. Union Ave. from S. 35<sup>th</sup> St. when the suspect vehicle pulled up alongside them and shot into the victim vehicle.

The suspect was described as a white male in a black pickup truck.

On February 5, at 1:38 a.m., a Tacoma Police sergeant on-viewed a motor vehicle vs pedestrian accident involving a black pickup truck in the 5200 block of South Tacoma Way. Priority back up was called for when the driver and sole occupant of the suspect vehicle brandished a handgun. The driver was detained without incident.

Life-saving measures were provided to the 24-year-old male victim struck by the suspect vehicle. He was transported to the hospital with life-threatening injuries.

The 47-year-old male suspect driver was booked into the Pierce County Jail for Vehicular Assault, Driving While Under the Influence, and Assault First Degree.

Detectives are looking into the possibility these two cases are related.

The investigations into these two cases are ongoing.