



Snohomish County Multiple Agency Response Team

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SMART Investigators continue efforts into March 21st incident.

Audio from calls to 911 and deputy's radio traffic released

More information is being learned about the circumstances that led Snohomish County deputies to be dispatched to a domestic disturbance at a home in the Echo Lake neighborhood on the evening of March 21st.

Two deputies were initially dispatched to the home in the 12000 block of 221st Street SE around 9:18pm. A female caller to 911 told the call taker that her adult son had hit and spat on her resulting her having a "fat lip". She told the call taker that he had also yanked a necklace off of her neck and that she was "afraid". She also mentioned that her son had mental health issues and that he had not been taking his medication. The female had left the scene to make the 911 call. Several times during the call the female mentioned that her son had been violent against her. She asked that he be taken to the hospital.

Based on the information received from the call, a dispatcher told responding deputies were told that the situation was verbal and physical between the female caller and a male at the residence. Deputies were also told that the male had mental health issues and the caller was requesting a mental health evaluation.

When deputies arrived they found that the female caller was back in the home. Upon making contact at the door spoke with the 29-year old male who had barricaded the door with a couch. When deputies asked to speak to the female caller they were told she was not there but they could see her motioning for assistance from behind the male. The deputies pushed their way into the home to investigate the domestic disturbance and an altercation ensued between them and the male. A deputy at the scene advised over the radio Taser was used. Over the next eighth minutes the deputies called for help four more times and other deputies requested a "help the officer call" on their behalf. A request for an aid car to stage in the area was also made. During this time, another caller to 911 reporting screaming from a neighbor's house and someone yelling "show your hands".

Two officers from Monroe Police Department arrived as well as two more deputies from the Sheriff's office before they advised that a suspect was in custody. On scene officers advised that they had started CPR and made repeated requests that Aid/EMS respond directly to the scene. Live saving efforts were continued for nearly an hour but were unsuccessful. During this time aid cars also responded to treat the officers involved in the incident for exhaustion and injuries.

The involved officers continue to be on paid administrative leave. Investigators from the SMART team will be interviewing them as part of the investigation. The Snohomish County Medical Examiner will release identity of the male and the cause and manner of death once toxicology results are received. The investigation is ongoing and more details will be released as appropriate.

Below are two links for audio of calls placed to 911 regarding this incident as well as a link for audio between dispatch and the deputies who responded to the call.

911 Call #1:

[https://ftp.edmonds.wa.us/main.html?download&weblink=30316f73fc4aa583365ee5d7507a9605&realfilename=911\\$20Call\\$20\\$231.wma](https://ftp.edmonds.wa.us/main.html?download&weblink=30316f73fc4aa583365ee5d7507a9605&realfilename=911$20Call$20$231.wma)

911 Call #2:

[https://ftp.edmonds.wa.us/main.html?download&weblink=1e5f20244867363ce77b1d13e5ce8abd&realfilename=911\\$20Call\\$20\\$232.wma](https://ftp.edmonds.wa.us/main.html?download&weblink=1e5f20244867363ce77b1d13e5ce8abd&realfilename=911$20Call$20$232.wma)

Dispatch Audio:

[https://ftp.edmonds.wa.us/main.html?download&weblink=14e0f3a0acb7ff8c78ba40cc74b72357&realfilename=03-21-17\\$20South\\$20Radio\\$20919pm-1109pm.wma](https://ftp.edmonds.wa.us/main.html?download&weblink=14e0f3a0acb7ff8c78ba40cc74b72357&realfilename=03-21-17$20South$20Radio$20919pm-1109pm.wma)