



Snohomish County Multiple Agency Response Team

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SMART Team Investigating Officer Involved Shooting

Smart Incident 21-01

SNOHOMISH, Wash. – At around 2:40 p.m., Snohomish County deputies responded to a report of multiple shots fired in a parking lot of Clearview Plaza (17500 block of SR-9). Upon arrival, responding units found the Valley SWAT team (King County) had been conducting surveillance on a murder suspect at a nearby residence and followed him to the parking lot where he went into a business. As he returned to his vehicle, an unmarked police vehicle drove up behind him and officers exited and gave him verbal commands to surrender. The suspect accelerated forward ramming a bystander vehicle and then accelerated backwards into the unmarked police vehicle multiple times. Three Valley SWAT members fired multiple shots striking the suspect.

Aid was rendered on scene and the suspect was transported to Harborview Medical Center with what are believed to be non-life threatening injuries. There were no other reported injuries related to this incident.

The passenger in the vehicle, an adult male, was detained at the scene but was later released after talking to detectives. A juvenile in the backseat was released to his parent.

Two of the involved officers are employed by Kent Police Department and one is employed by Federal Way Police Department.

The investigation is being conducted by the [Snohomish County Multiple Agency Response Team \(SMART\)](#). SMART is a team of investigators, evidence technicians, records specialist, and public

information officers from various Snohomish County law enforcement agencies and Washington State Patrol, who respond to, and investigate, police use of force incidents. There are civilian community members that also serve on the SMART team per the Law Enforcement Training and Community Safety Act (LETSCA). When the SMART investigation is complete, results will be forwarded to the Snohomish County Prosecutor's Office for review.

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