

August 29, 2022
Case Number 2022-0041

IIU investigating fatal officer-involved shooting in Winnipeg

The Independent Investigation Unit of Manitoba (IIU) is investigating an officer-involved shooting that occurred on August 27, 2022, in Winnipeg.

On August 27, the IIU was notified by the Winnipeg Police Service (WPS) of an incident that occurred at approximately 2:12 a.m. that same day. According to the notification, at approximately 1:50 a.m., WPS officers were conducting a traffic enforcement checkstop in the vicinity of the 1400 block of Portage Avenue at Empress Street. A 2021 Chevrolet Camaro SS, with a lone male driver, failed to slow or stop at this checkstop, contrary to the directions of officers on the roadway, and continued westbound on Portage Avenue. As the subject vehicle proceeded southbound onto Kenaston Boulevard, Air1 (the WPS helicopter) began monitoring it near Bishop Grandin Boulevard. Two single-occupied WPS cruisers attended to the residence of the registered owner of the subject vehicle as it pulled into the rear of the residence at approximately 2:12 a.m. The male driver of the subject vehicle stopped, retrieved a weapon, and advanced on foot towards the WPS officers.

The WPS officers discharged their respective service firearms, striking the male several times. Medical attention was immediately provided and the male was conveyed to Health Sciences Centre, where he succumbed to his injuries.

Any injury caused by the discharge of a firearm by a police officer is defined as a serious injury under the IIU regulations, the IIU is mandated to investigate. A team of IIU investigators was deployed.

Witnesses or other individuals who have information or video footage that may assist this investigation are asked to contact the IIU toll-free at 1-844-667-6060.

The investigation is ongoing and no further details will be provided at this time.



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