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****UPDATE****

Officer Involved Shooting

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Both Winter Park Police Officers have been released from the hospital with non-life-threatening injuries. The decedent has been identified as Daniel Patrick Knight, born 1/15/1983. The Florida Department of Law Enforcement continues to lead this active investigation. There will be no further media releases today.

On Saturday, February 19, 2022 the Winter Park Police Department received a call at approximately 9:39 pm from the Winter Park Event Center located at 1050 W. Morse Blvd. regarding a disturbance. The caller advised Mr. Knight was assaulting guests at the wedding reception. On arrival, one of the officers began speaking with Mr. Knight when the officer was physically attacked by him, leaving the officer unconscious and on the ground. Mr. Knight then physically attacked a second officer, as a crowd began to surround the injured officers. During the physical altercation, the second officer discharged his weapon striking Mr. Knight. Mr. Knight was transported to Advent Health Orlando hospital where he succumbed to his injuries. Both officers were transported to the hospital and treated for non-life-threatening injuries.

Currently, the Florida Department of Law Enforcement is investigating the Officer involved shooting. The officer involved in the shooting has been placed on administrative duty as standard procedure.