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Officer Involved Death Investigation in City of Fort Atkinson

CITY OF FORT ATKINSON, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ) Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) is conducting an officer involved death investigation in the City of Fort Atkinson that occurred on Sunday, Oct. 26, 2025.

At approximately 5 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 26, officers with the Fort Atkinson Police Department were dispatched to a residence located in the 600 block of Washington Street in Fort Atkinson to respond to a report of a disturbance with shots fired. Upon arrival, law enforcement officers surrounded the residence. During the encounter, an officer with the Fort Atkinson Police Department discharged their weapon, striking the subject. A rifle not belonging to law enforcement was later recovered from the scene.

Aid was immediately rendered to the subject, who was flown to a hospital in Madison, where the subject was later pronounced deceased.

No law enforcement personnel were injured during the incident.

The involved law enforcement officer was wearing a body camera during the incident and will be placed on administrative leave, per the agency's policies.

DCI is leading this investigation and is assisted by the Wisconsin State Patrol, the Jefferson County Medical Examiner, the Dane County Medical Examiner, and a DCI crime response specialist.

DCI is continuing to review evidence and determine the facts of this incident and will turn over the investigative reports to the Jefferson County District Attorney's Office when the investigation concludes. Please direct all media inquiries to Wisconsin DOJ.