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**Officer Involved Death Investigation in Racine, Wis.**

RACINE, Wis. – The Wisconsin Department of Justice (DOJ) Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) is conducting an officer involved death investigation in the City of Racine, Wis. that occurred on the evening of Sunday, May 4, 2025.

At approximately 11:12 p.m., officers with the Racine Police Department located and attempted to arrest a wanted subject in the 900 block of Seventeenth St. in the City of Racine. As officers approached, the male attempted to flee in a vehicle but crashed roughly half a block away. The subject exited the vehicle with a handgun in their hand and began to raise it. As the subject began to raise the handgun, a Racine Police officer discharged their firearm striking the subject. Racine Police officers immediately rendered aid to the subject and EMS continued life saving measures once on scene, but the subject was pronounced deceased on scene.

Law enforcement officers were wearing body cameras during the incident.

The involved law enforcement officer will be placed on administrative leave, per agencies' policies.

DCI is leading this investigation and are assisted by a DCI Crime Response Specialist, Wisconsin State Patrol and the Wisconsin State Crime Laboratory. All involved law enforcement are fully cooperating with DCI during this investigation.

DCI is continuing to review evidence and determine the facts of this incident and will turn over the investigative reports to the Racine County District Attorney's office when the investigation concludes.

Please direct all media inquiries to Wisconsin DOJ.