

# **YAKIMA VALLEY SPECIAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT**

## **News Release**

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### **YVSIU Detectives Investigating an Officer Involved Shooting Incident**

YVSIU Incident # 22-02

**Yakima WA** – The Yakima Valley Special Investigations Unit (YVSIU) is investigating an Officer involved Shooting incident that occurred in the City of Yakima, just before 6:00 P.M. on Saturday, April 16, 2022.

Yakima Police Officers located a subject who was wanted for felony assault charges, walking in the 800 block of N 20<sup>th</sup> Ave. The subject fled Police and a foot pursuit ensued to the 1800 block of Jerome Ave.

During the foot pursuit, the subject displayed a handgun, and pointed it at the Yakima Officers. The police officers engaged the armed suspect and discharged their duty weapons. Immediately following the incident, Officer rendered lifesaving first aid efforts and summons an ambulance. The suspect was transported to Yakima Memorial Hospital and then to Harborview Medical Center in Seattle with what are believed to be non-life-threatening injuries.

The two involved officers are employed by Yakima Police Department. No Officers were injured during the incident.

The investigation is being conducted by the Yakima Valley Special Investigative Unit (YVSIU), a team of supervisors, investigators, crime scene investigators and evidence technicians from various Yakima County law enforcement agencies and Washington State Patrol. YVSIU responds to and provides independent investigations of police use of force incidents. The team includes civilian community members who observe the criminal investigation and related processes, per the Law Enforcement Training and Community Safety Act (LETSCA). When the YVSIU investigation is complete, the results will be forwarded to the Yakima County Prosecutors Office for review.

**Update: 04/19/22 The identity of the suspect involved in the incident is identified as, Jose Trinidad Dealba DOB 10/08/94. He is currently in custody on multiple felony warrants to include; 3 counts of First-Degree Assault, First Degree Possession of a Firearm, Second Degree Unlawful Possession of a Firearm and Possession of a Stolen Firearm, which occurred on 04/16/22. He remains at Harborview Medical clinic in serious but stable condition.**

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