

San Francisco Police Department
Firearm Discharge Review Board Report
&
In-Custody Death Review Board Report



CITY & COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

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Firearm Discharge Review Board

Since the last presentation to the Police Commission, on September 2, 2020, the Firearm Discharge Review Board reviewed the following completed Officer Involved Shooting investigation:

- OIS 19-002

Officer-Involved Shooting 19-002

Date & Time: September 13, 2019
approximately 15:40-15:45 hours

Location: Eastshore Highway & Hearst Avenue, Berkley, CA

On September 13, 2019, between 1540-1555 hours, an off-duty San Francisco Police Officer was driving his personal vehicle on the 1-80 East Freeway and exited at the University Avenue Exit in Berkeley, CA. The Officer had just completed an overtime shift and had his duty belt and Department-issued firearm in his vehicle. As the Officer exited he drove toward Frontage Road and observed a Honda Civic attempting to overtake him on the passenger side of his vehicle using the emergency lane. The Officer maintained his speed and the Honda had to brake hard to avoid colliding with the Officer's vehicle and cement wall. The Honda pulled behind the Officer and then passed him shortly thereafter.

At the intersection of Eastshore Highway and Hearst Avenue, the Honda proceeded through the intersection then pulled to the side of the road and stopped. The Officer saw the Honda was stopped and he then proceeded through the intersection and pulled alongside the Honda. The Officer said "What's up man?" to the unknown male driver of the Honda, and the unknown male replied "we ain't playing games out here". The unknown male then began moving around as if he was retrieving something from between the seat and driver side door. The Officer believed he was reaching for a weapon so he un-holstered his Department-issued firearm. The unknown male then extended his arm out his driver side window as though he had a weapon. The Officer saw something shiny in the male's hand and believing he was going to be shot, the officer fired one round from his firearm at the unknown male. The unknown male drove away rapidly and the Officer followed in an attempt to get the Honda's License Plate but was unable to do so. The unknown male and his vehicle were never located and any injuries are unknown. The shooting was later reported to the Berkeley Police Department which conducted a criminal investigation.

Recommendation to COP: Out of Policy

In-Custody Death Review Board

Since the last presentation to the Police Commission, the In-Custody Death Review Board reviewed the following completed In-Custody Death investigations:

- ICD 15-001
- ICD 16-002
- ICD 17-001

In-Custody Death 15-001

Date & Time: April 3, 2015
Approximately 10:25 Hours

Location: San Francisco County Jail #1

On April 3rd, 2015, Bayview Station Officers responded to a call at 145 Kiska Road regarding a trespasser. They contacted a male Subject and placed him under arrest for an outstanding warrant. The Subject was transported to Bayview Station and processed for the booking on his outstanding warrant. The Subject was later transported to County Jail #1. While being triaged by the intake nurse at County Jail, the Subject stated "Yeah, I do want to kill myself." The intake nurse then advised she was refusing to accept the Subject until he was cleared by Psychiatric Emergency Services at San Francisco General Hospital. The Subject then became agitated and started yelling. San Francisco Sheriff's Deputies handcuffed the Subject who began physically resisting the Deputies. The Subject was escorted outside by the Sheriff's Deputies to the sally port and continued to resist. The Subject was taken to the ground by deputies and restrained but continued his resistance. The Officers on scene requested medics to respond to the sally port. While awaiting the medics, the Officers on scene assisted in restraining the resisting Subject by holding him down. There was no reportable use of force by the SFPD officers. When American Medical Response medics arrived on scene, they injected the Subject with Versed, a sedative. The Subject was placed in their ambulance for transport to SFGH and one SFPD officer rode with the medics. While en route to SFGH, the Subject stopped breathing and had no pulse. The medics initiated CPR and the Subject regained a pulse. Upon arrival at SFGH the subject was immediately sent to the Intensive Care Unit. On April 6th, 2015, the Subject was pronounced deceased.

Recommendation to COP: In Policy

In-Custody Death 16-002

Date & Time: June 18-19th, 2016
at approximately (initial contact) 21:24 Hours

Location: San Francisco County Jail #1

On June 18th, 2016, at 2124 hours, Tenderloin Station Officers were dispatched to 41 Jones Street regarding a male Subject with a knife attempting to force his way into the building. Upon arrival, officers conducted an investigation and subsequently arrested the suspect who was taken to Tenderloin Station for processing. At Tenderloin Station, the Subject indicated he was required to take blood pressure medication and therefore was not placed in a holding cell. At 0126 hours on June 19th, the Subject was transported to County Jail #1. At County Jail, the intake nurse refused to admit the Subject due to his high blood pressure. The Subject was transported to SFGH to be medically cleared prior to booking. The Subject was treated, provided a prescription for blood pressure medication, and medically discharged. The Officers later advised they did not know if the medical staff administered any medication to the Subject while he was at SFGH. While escorting the Subject back to their patrol wagon, Officers noted that the Subject was sweating, shaking and ambulatory but had some difficulty walking. The Subject was transported to County Jail #1 at 0455 hours. Upon return to County Jail #1, the Subject had difficulty walking, was sweating profusely, and appeared confused and disoriented. The intake nurse medically refused the Subject again due to his condition. Due to the Subject's worsening condition, an ambulance was requested for the Subject. While awaiting the ambulance, the Subject was placed back into a temporary holding cell. The Subject then stopped breathing and CPR was administered by Deputies and Officers until the ambulance arrived. The ambulance transported the Subject to SFGH where he was pronounced deceased at 0619 hours.

Recommendation to COP: In Policy

In-Custody Death 17-001

Date & Time: March 11, 2017
at approximately 20:27 Hours

Location: 2200 Market Street (Hecho Bar)

On March 11, 2017, Mission Station Officers responded to 2200 Market Street, the Hecho Bar and Restaurant. The call was regarding a male patron who per the 9-1-1 caller was being very aggressive breaking windows and harming himself. Upon arrival, the Subject was being restrained by other patrons. The Officers took over restraining the Subject who was actively resisting and also bleeding from a cut on his left wrist. Additional Officers arrived on scene and helped in the attempts to take the Subject, who was still actively resisting, into custody. The Subject was handcuffed and a hobble was placed around his legs as he was kicking at the Officers. The Subject was then placed in a position of recovery and moved to a seated position, but he continued to resist the Officers. San Francisco Fire Department medics arrived on scene and administered the sedative Versed to the Subject. After Versed was administered the Subject became calmer and the medics were able to treat the laceration to his left wrist. The Subject was then placed on a medical backboard and the handcuffs and hobble were removed. Soft restraints were applied to the Subject's limbs and then tied to the backboard to restrict the Subject's movement. Shortly thereafter, one Officer noticed the Subject was nonresponsive. The Officer checked the Subject and recognized he had no pulse and was not breathing. The Officers on scene immediately began to perform CPR on the Subject while he was taken to the ambulance and until relieved by the medics. The Subject was transported to SFGH and at that time the Officers were advised the Subject was in critical but stable condition. On March 24th, 2017, SFGH notified the San Francisco Medical Examiner that the Subject was deceased as of that date.

Recommendation to COP: In Policy

Status of Open Officer-Involved Shooting Investigations
&
In-Custody Death Investigations

Open OIS Investigations: 2017-2020

Case	Investigation Status
17-001 (01/6/17)	Active criminal and administrative investigations.
17-007 (12/01/17)	Active criminal and administrative investigations.
18-002 (03/06/18)	Active criminal and administrative investigations.
18-005 (06/09/18)	Active administrative investigation.
19-001 (08/25/19)	Active administrative investigation.
19-003 (12/7/19)	Active criminal and administrative investigations.
20-001 (04/12/20)	Active administrative investigation.
20-002 (04/21/20)	Active criminal and administrative investigations.
20-003 (10/10/20)	Active criminal and administrative investigations.

Open ICD Investigations: 2015-2020

Case	Investigation Status
15-002 (6/28/15)	Active criminal and administrative investigations.
15-003 (7/30/15)	Active criminal and administrative investigations.
16-001 (1/22/16)	Active administrative Investigation.
19-001 (1/7/19)	Active criminal and administrative investigations.
20-001 (1/21/20)	Active administrative investigation.



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