



PCFIT

Pierce County Force Investigation Team



Press Release

Officer Involved Shooting

Tactical Response Team members from Fife, Bonney Lake and Puyallup Police Departments were involved in a shooting while performing a welfare check for a 31-year-old male at a residence in the 500 block of Valley Avenue NE. A 34-year-old female suffered non-life-threatening injuries and was transported to a local hospital. No officers were injured. In a subsequent search of the residence, officers located the male deceased in a bedroom.

Puyallup, WA. August 3, 2023:

The Pierce County Force Investigation Team has completed the independent investigation of this incident. The case was presented to the Pierce County Prosecutor's Office for review on August 3, 2023.

This concludes the investigation. There will be no more additional updates from PCFIT

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For Immediate Release 1:00 p.m., August 3, 2023

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Puyallup, WA. June 24, 2021:

The investigation has determined that four officers utilized force in this incident.

- Officer Eric Alfano, a 42-year-old male who has been with the Bonney Lake Police Department for 13 years.

- Officer Ryan Micenko, a 38-year-old male who has been with the Fife Police Department for 14 years.
- Officer Andrew Bond, a 32-year-old male who has been with the Puyallup Police Department for 9 years.
- Officer Patrick Thomson, a 32-year-old male who has been with the Puyallup Police Department for 2 years.

The investigation is active and ongoing.

Puyallup, WA. June 18, 2021:

The Pierce County Medical Examiner's Office has identified the 31-year-old male as Nicholas Bunten and ruled his manner of death as homicide.

The 34-year-old female was booked into the Pierce County Jail for Second Degree Murder.

The investigation is ongoing.

Puyallup, WA. June 8, 2021:

On June 7, 2021 at 9:47 p.m., the Pierce County Force Investigation Team was called out to the 500 block of Valley Avenue NE for an officer involved shooting.

At 8:50 p.m., Tactical Response Team members from Fife, Bonney Lake and Puyallup police departments had responded to the residence at the request of Puyallup police officers who were doing a welfare check of a male who had not been heard from by family members since the day before. Negotiators were speaking with the wife of the male when she came outside with a weapon and shots were fired.

The 34-year-old female was immediately rendered medical aid and transported to a local hospital for non-life-threatening injuries.

No officers were injured.

In a subsequent search of the residence, officers located the 31-year-old male resident deceased in a bedroom.

The investigation into the use of deadly force and the homicide is ongoing and will be conducted by the Pierce County Force Investigation Team.

Please contact P.I.O. Detective William Muse for more information

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