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LASD Deputy-Involved Shooting (DIS) in the 16700 block of Dawn Haven Road, Unincorporated Hacienda Heights.

The following information is based on facts determined from an investigation into the incident described. The investigation is ongoing and as witnesses are interviewed, evidence is analyzed and reports are reviewed, our understanding of the facts may change. The details described below accurately reflect the facts as we currently know them.

On September 4, 2023, at 5:34 a.m., Industry Station deputies responded to a residence in the 16700 block of Dawn Haven Road in unincorporated Hacienda Heights, regarding a call of a person who had committed an assault with a knife. Information in the call indicated a male had stabbed his father. The male was later identified as 42-year-old Robert Boozer of St. George, Utah.

Upon arrival, deputies located Boozer on the front porch of a neighboring residence. Boozer was holding a large knife in one of his hands. The deputies gave Boozer numerous commands to drop the knife. Boozer ignored the deputies' commands and charged at them while holding the knife, at which point a deputy-involved shooting occurred.

Boozer was struck by gunfire, dropped the knife, and fell to the ground. Deputies rendered first aid until the arrival of the Los Angeles County Fire Department paramedics who pronounced Boozer dead at the scene.

A knife, with an approximate nine-inch blade, was recovered at the scene.

There were no other persons injured in the incident.

LASD Homicide investigators responded to the scene to conduct interviews, follow up, and process the scene. Representatives from the Office of the Inspector General (OIG), Internal Affairs Bureau (IAB), and the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office, Justice System Integrity Division (JSID) also responded and monitored the investigation.

Once completed, the criminal investigation will be forwarded to the District Attorney's Office to determine if the force used by the involved personnel violated any criminal laws. Once the District Attorney's Office investigation is completed, the LASD will evaluate the actions of the personnel within the application of policy, procedures, and tactics.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is encouraged to call Sheriff's Homicide at 323-890-5500. Anonymous tips may be received through CRIMESTOPPERS at 800-222-8477.

*****UPDATE*****

The employee involved in the deputy-involved shooting was identified as Deputy Bobby Olivares.