

## CITY OF FORT LAUDERDALE POLICE DEPARTMENT PRESS RELEASE

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## POLICE INVOLVED SHOOTING

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating a police involved shooting that occurred on Tuesday, January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011. The shooting took place in the 1800 block of Northwest 3<sup>rd</sup> Terrace.

Preliminary investigation has revealed that on January 4<sup>th</sup>, 2011, an armed robbery occurred in the 800 block of Northwest 13<sup>th</sup> Street, which resulted in a B.O.L.O. being issued for the suspect's vehicle. Shortly thereafter, an officer located the vehicle and initiated a traffic stop in the 1800 block of Northwest 3<sup>rd</sup> Terrace. Incidentally, a confrontation ensued which resulted in the officer discharging his firearm.

Another officer on scene sustained injuries while taking one of the two suspects into custody. That officer was transported to Broward General Medical Center along with one of the suspects who received injuries from the incident. None of the injuries were life threatening and the officer has been released from the hospital's care.

Seraphin Exantus, B/M, 7/4/93, and Robert Chavez, W/M, 12/14/93, have each been charged with one count of armed robbery.

At this point, the investigation is still on-going. Anyone with information regarding this shooting is encouraged to contact the Fort Lauderdale Police Department at 954-828-5700 or Broward County Crime Stoppers at 954-493-TIPS.

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