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OFFICER INVOLVED
SHOOTING

The Fort Lauderdale Police Department is investigating an officer involved shooting that occurred at approximately 7:43 P.M. on March 3, 2013. The shooting occurred at 300 Northeast 17th Avenue, in the City of Fort Lauderdale.

Preliminary investigation has revealed that at approximately 7:35 P.M., Fort Lauderdale Police Officers were dispatched to the listed residence in reference to a male making suicidal threats. While officers were responding to the residence, dispatch provided them with updated information on the call, to include there was an ongoing domestic disturbance at the residence and the male involved in this disturbance armed himself with a knife.

When officers arrived to the residence, a white male emerged from the front door of the residence and charged the officers with the knife. Witnesses told investigators that the officers gave the male several verbal commands to drop the weapon and he refused. Fearing for the safety of others, as well as themselves, the officers discharged their firearms, striking the male.

Responding officers secured the knife and rendered first aid to the male while waiting for Fort Lauderdale Fire Rescue to arrive on scene. Fort Lauderdale Fire Rescue then transported the male to Broward General Medical Center, where he later succumbed to his injuries.

The male has been identified as Jeffrey Lowry, W/M, 01/25/70, a resident of the City of Fort Lauderdale.

The incident is under active investigation and detectives are urging anyone with information regarding the police involved shooting to contact Detective Mark Shotwell at 954-828-5517 or Detective Jim Jagers at 954-828-5970.

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