

## MEDIA RELEASE

## TACOMA POLICE DEPARTMENT For Immediate Release December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2019

At approximately 8:30 this evening Tacoma Police Department responded to 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue East and Mountain Highway to investigate a Pierce County Sheriff's Department deputy involved shooting.

Pierce County Sheriff's Department deputies were looking for a DV suspect who had fled from deputies in Graham. He was wanted for aggravated assault and felony warrants. The suspect was believed to be armed. Deputies observed the suspect vehicle driving without lights and a pursuit ensued.

A deputy utilized a PIT maneuver (pursuit intervention technique) and the vehicle was stopped at 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue East and Mountain Highway. The suspect was shot sustaining non-life threatening injury. Medical aid was provided to the suspect who was transported to a local hospital for further treatment. Suspect is in stable condition. The suspect is a 49-year-old white male.

The involved deputy was not injured and was placed on paid administrative leave per Pierce County Sheriff's Department policy. The Tacoma Police Department will be the lead investigative agency per established protocols.

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