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UPDATE

SUFFOLK, Virginia (December 29, 2015)   Suffolk Police have released the name of the subject shot in last night's officer involved shooting. Corey Jason Achstein, age 28, of the 200 block of Causey Avenue was shot one time by police.

Police were called to the 300 block of Causey Avenue at approximately 5:15 p.m. to reports of a white male chasing three juveniles down Causey Avenue with a handgun. The suspect was reported to be threatening to kill the juveniles while pointing a gun at them.

A responding officer observed the suspect near the intersection of Causey Avenue and Virginia Avenue. The suspect was ordered to the ground. A second officer arrived on scene. Based upon actions of the suspect and concern for safety, an officer fired one shot striking the suspect. A handgun was recovered in close proximity to the suspect. The investigation has revealed that the gun was actually a realistic style pneumatic bb gun.

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The suspect was given first aid by the responding officers and Suffolk Fire & Rescue personnel and was transported by ambulance to Sentara Norfolk Hospital where he later died. Next of kin were notified.

The officers involved, Officer James Babor, who has served with the department for eight years, and Officer Cheryl Abrigo, who has served for twelve years, have both been placed on administrative leave. Both a criminal and internal affairs investigation are currently underway.

SUFFOLK POLICE INVESTIGATING OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING

SUFFOLK, Virginia (December 28, 2015)   Suffolk Police received multiple calls at approximately 5:15 p.m. regarding reports of an individual chasing persons in the Lakeside neighborhood in the 300 block of Causey Avenue while brandishing a firearm and threatening them. Officers were dispatched to the scene and the first Officer responding encountered the individual he believed was the suspect. A second Officer arrived shortly thereafter.

There was a brief encounter between the first arriving Officer and the suspect at which time the Officer shot the suspect. The suspect received emergency medical assessment and treatment by Suffolk Fire & Rescue personnel and was ground transported to Sentara Norfolk General Hospital. The suspect later died at the hospital.

Suffolk Police are conducting a criminal and internal investigation into the shooting. The involved Officers have been placed on administrative leave.

No additional information is available at this time.

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