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ASIRT investigates CPS officer-involved shooting

The Alberta Serious Incident Response Team (ASIRT) has been directed by the Director of Law Enforcement to investigate the circumstances surrounding an officer-involved shooting that occurred early this morning resulting in the death of a 27-year-old woman.

At approximately 2:34 a.m. this morning, Calgary Police Service (CPS) officers responded to a 911 call requesting officers check on the welfare of a woman in the area of 1700 block of 11 Avenue S.W. as the caller had heard a female screaming.

As CPS officers arrived at 16 Street at 11 Avenue S.W., a woman could be seen further down the avenue acting erratically, banging on car windows and building doors carrying two knives, one in each hand. A confrontation occurred between an officer and the woman resulting in one of the officers discharging their police service weapon. The woman was struck and collapsed. Immediate emergency medical attention was given, and upon the arrival of emergency medical services, she was transported to hospital where she was pronounced deceased.

Investigators are asking anyone who may have witnessed the incident and/or taken video to contact ASIRT at 403-592-4306.

ASIRT's investigation is in its very early stages and as such, there will be no further comment until the investigation has been completed.

ASIRT's mandate is to effectively, independently, and objectively investigate incidents involving Alberta's police that have resulted in serious injury or death to any person, as well as serious or sensitive allegations of police misconduct.

Photographs of the two knives





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