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UPDATE: OFFICERS SHOOT ARMED MAN THREATENING OTHERS

The officer-involved shooting on May 30, 2016 remains under investigation by the Washington County Major Crimes Team. The incident in the 18100 block of SW Cheyenne Way began as a disturbance call. The caller reported that Robert Wickizer, 70, was armed with a firearm, threatening family members at the residence.

As the officers were responding, two female family members fled the residence to a neighbor's house. The neighbor allowed the women in and armed himself as Mr. Wickizer broke a window and attempted to force his way into the residence. The neighbor fired a warning shot towards the door in an attempt to scare Mr. Wickizer away from the residence.

As the officers arrived on scene, they located Mr. Wickizer outside of the neighbor's residence, armed with the gun. Mr. Wickizer continued his efforts to force his way into the neighbor's residence. Officers attempted to negotiate with the Mr. Wickizer, who continued to ignore the officer's commands. Based upon Mr. Wickizer's continued actions, officers used both less-lethal and lethal force against him. He was pronounced deceased at the scene.

The law enforcement members involved in the incident are Tualatin Officer Eric French with 16 years of service, Beaverton Officer Charles Wujcik with 17 years of service, Beaverton Officer Aaron Oberst with 17 years of service, Washington County Sergeant Chris Schweigert with 18 years of service, Hillsboro Officer Anthony Cristofaro with 7 years of service, and Tigard Officer Nathaniel Will with 9 years of service. As is standard procedure, the listed law enforcement members remain on paid administrative

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leave. Full details about the incident will be available after the Washington County District Attorney's investigation is completed.

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