

City of

# HURST TEXAS

POLICE DEPARTMENT



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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Topic: Armed Robbery Suspects Shot

This is an update of the ongoing investigation to the incident that occurred on January 8, 2015, at approximately 8:15 PM, when the Hurst Police responded to the 200 blk of Norwood Drive and the area of 100 blk Charlene Dr. for a shots fired call and an armed robbery incident.

The Hurst resident, 39 years old, who was shot last night, was released from the hospital after treatment of his gunshot wound earlier this morning. The suspect, a 22 year old Fort Worth resident, who was shot and transported to the hospital, was released at about the same time into our custody, after treatment of multiple gunshot wounds to both lower legs. The second suspect, a 20 year old Fort Worth resident, found deceased in the suspect vehicle located in Euless, was taken to the Tarrant County Medical Examiners.

The suspects had parked their vehicle at the dead end of a residential street off the 100 block of Charlene Drive. A resident at the end of this street became aware of the vehicle and the occupant's movements. The resident observed the driver of the parked car walk to the open field area behind the resident's home, which the rear fence line of the residence is made of chain link fencing material. This resident had previously experienced thefts and burglaries of his property and believing criminal activity was afoot, armed himself and kept surveillance on the suspect vehicle and lookout of the suspect on foot from his backyard.

Unbeknownst to the resident, the suspect on foot had proceeded along the residential fence line of the field toward the convenience store at the corner of 200 block of Norwood Drive. Victim and witness accounts indicate that this suspect, using a handgun, confronted a customer at the store at gun point and under threat of death, forced the customer into the store. The armed suspect then threatens the store clerk and obtains monies from the clerk by force and threat. The suspect flees the store, but upon exiting is surprised by two more customers about to enter the store. The armed suspect, according to these

victims/witnesses account, threatens them and flees on foot back to the dark field area along the residential fence line.

As the suspect is fleeing he crosses along the fence line of the resident, again. As the fleeing suspect becomes visible to the resident through the chain link fence line, the resident shouts out to the suspect, what are you doing? The resident states that the armed suspect immediately began to shoot at him as the suspect continued to run along the fence line and around the fence corner to the driver's side of the car. The resident begins to retreat back into his yard toward his home and begins to return fire at the suspect.

The suspects flee in their vehicle and are leaving the residential area. The two customers, who the suspect had previously confronted upon his exit from the convenience store, see what they believed was the suspect vehicle hurriedly fleeing the immediate area and they give chase in their car, through the residential area. These customers eventually lost sight of the suspect vehicle.

The suspect drives to the 3000 block of Sycamore Circle in Euless and seeks help for his injuries and Euless Police officers respond to that location. Euless Police arrived and discovered one suspect shot and one suspect shot and deceased in the vehicle. They were able to connect their call to our active investigation and alerted the Hurst Police Department.

Our investigation is on-going. The Euless Police have released information that one or both of these suspects in our investigation are suspect in four aggravated robberies in their jurisdiction. We cannot comment on these Euless cases. We are not prepared to release the name of the suspect in our custody pending charges. We're willing to awaiting the Tarrant County Medical Examiner's office to identify and release the information of the deceased suspect.

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