

# TORRANCE

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## **Officer Involved Shooting DR #080018093**

On Saturday, March 15, 2008 at approximately 9:44 PM, Officers from the Torrance Police Department responded to a 911 call, at 1820 Torrance Blvd #33. Further information received was that there was a possible suicidal subject armed with a knife at that location.

Upon arrival Officers heard a verbal argument between two male subjects from inside the singlewide mobile home. Officers entered the location to check on the welfare of the subject and to evacuate the residents, which included the mother, an adult male and a 17 year old female.

Officers contacted a male subject who was armed with a knife. The Officers gave multiple orders to the subject to drop the knife and the subject did not comply. Three Officers deployed their less lethal taser weapon separately. The Taser was ineffective on the armed subject and an officer involved shooting occurred.

Torrance Fire Department Paramedics arrived to render medical aide. The subject was pronounced deceased at the scene. The subject was identified as Rodney Sandberg, a 23 year old male that resided at the location.

The investigation continues under the direction of Captain Marc Wilkins, Investigative Bureau Commander.

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