

TORRANCE

Press Release
Police Department

Officer Involved Shooting DR #080026590

On April 19, 2008, at approximately 12:45 AM, Torrance Police Officers responded to the 2200 block of Torrance Blvd regarding a complaint of loud music. Upon arrival Officers heard loud music coming from the south alley. When the Officers exited their unit, the music was turned off and they were unable to locate where the original music was coming from.

Shortly after at 1:00 AM, Torrance Police Department received a second call of loud music in the area of the 2200 block of Torrance Blvd. Officers arrived and identified the location where the complaint of loud music was coming from. Officers began to walk up the outside stairs leading to the second story residence, when they observed the suspect at the top of the stairs pointing a handgun at them. Officers requested further assistance, at which time an Officer Involved Shooting occurred. Torrance Fire Department Paramedics arrived to treat the wounded suspect, who was pronounced deceased at the scene.

Officers recovered a loaded handgun near the suspect. Officers checked the suspect's residence and discovered a fully loaded SKS assault rifle with extra magazines leaning against the living room wall, right next to the front door. Numerous other weapons and ammunition were found inside the residence.

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

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