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Officer-Involved Shooting

On Wednesday, August 9, 2023, at approximately 6:51 a.m., Columbus Police officers responded to a robbery in progress call at the Great Southern Shopping Center located in the 40 block of Great Southern Boulevard. A caller told 911 dispatchers a male was robbing an individual at gunpoint.

Officers arrived less than two minutes later at which time they encountered the suspect in the parking lot with a firearm. Officers exchanged gunfire with the suspect, leaving one officer and the suspect injured. Moments later, additional officers arrived on the scene and immediately helped to render aid to the officer and the suspect. Medics transported both the injured officer and suspect to Grant Medical Center. The officer is currently recovering in stable condition. The suspect, an adult male, was pronounced deceased at approximately 7:21 a.m.

The identity of the suspect is being withheld pending next of kin notification.

A second individual was taken into custody at the scene. Detectives are currently questioning this person to determine their possible involvement.

The Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation is investigating the officer-involved shooting by the Columbus Division of Police.

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