



CITY OF FORT WAYNE

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Police Department • Paul Smith, Police Chief

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Date: October 12, 2026

Location: 6800 Chadwick Dr

Time: 5:28 pm

Details/Summary:

Any incident involving police use of deadly force is serious. Our concern is with the person injured, their family, witnesses, the involved officers, and the affected neighborhood.

The scene has been secured, medical aid was requested, and the standard investigative process has been initiated. Detectives are collecting evidence, reviewing video, and speaking with witnesses.

Early information is often incomplete. We will provide confirmed facts, explain the process, and avoid speculation until all the evidence has been reviewed.

What we know at this time is, Officers were dispatched at 5:28 pm to a house in the 6800 block of Chadwick Dr regarding a person suffering from a mental health crisis and behaving violently. The first officer arrived at approximately 5:33 pm. At approximately 5:39 pm officers called a 15/84, which indicates officers need immediate assistance. This was followed by a call of shots fired.

At least one officer discharged a firearm striking an individual in the home. The injured individual, an adult male, was transported by medics to the hospital for treatment.

The Fort Wayne Police Department Homicide Team and the Crime Scene Unit were called to the scene to investigate. Indiana State Police Detectives are also on scene conducting a separate but parallel investigation.

There is no ongoing threat to the public from this incident.

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