

CHIEF OF POLICE

## **BURBANK POLICE DEPARTMENT**

200 North Third Street, Burbank, CA 91502

## **OFFICIAL NEWS RELEASE**

## **OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING UPDATE**

March 11, 2021

**Burbank, California** – This update is in regards to the Officer Involved Shooting at the Quality Inn, in the early morning hours of March 8, 2021, that left one person dead.

The deceased person has been identified by the Los Angeles County Coroner's Office as 30year old David William Kahler from Las Vegas, Nevada. The investigation has revealed that the young child, an 8 year-old boy, was the step-son of Mr. Kahler. The child has since been reunited with his biological mother, with the assistance of the Department of Children and Family Services, and they have returned to Nevada. The child was with Mr. Kahler, with the permission of the mother. The investigation has also revealed that neither Mr. Kahler nor the child had any connection to the Quality Inn or the City of Burbank.

Based on video footage, as well as officer and witness statements, the investigation has revealed that Mr. Kahler pointed a loaded semi-automatic handgun at the officer, which precipitated the officer involved shooting. At this time, evidence shows that Mr. Kahler did not discharge the firearm which was in his possession. Only one officer discharged his firearm. The firearm recovered from Mr. Kahler was reported stolen in Las Vegas.

At the time of his death, Mr. Kahler was on probation in the State of Nevada and had an extensive criminal history. The crimes included burglary while in possession of a firearm, domestic violence, narcotics violations, and theft.

Burbank Police Detectives are continuing their investigation to determine the reason for Mr. Kahler's visit to the Southern California area. As standard procedure, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office is also conducting a separate investigation and the Burbank Police Department is cooperating with that investigation.

Anyone with information about this incident is asked to contact the Burbank Police Department Investigations Division, at (818) 238-3210.

