

Richardson Police Department News Release

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D.A.R.T. Shooting 1051 N. Greenville Avenue Richardson, TX

On Tuesday, February 07, 2012, at approximately 3:40pm Richardson Police were dispatched to the Dallas Area Rapid Transit (D.A.R.T.) Arapaho Center Rail Station on a shooting that involved a D.A.R.T. peace officer. The report was that the officer along with two bystanders on the rail platform had been shot. The suspect involved in the shooting fled the scene to a business across the street. He was being pursued by additional responding D.A.R.T. officers. Once inside the business, which was housed in a large warehouse building, the officers exchanged gunfire with the suspect. The suspect was approached and found to be deceased from what appeared to be a single gunshot wound to the head. It has not been determined at this time if the wound was sustained from one of the pursuing officers or if it was self-inflicted. No one from inside the business was injured.

Initial indications are that the D.A.R.T. officer was contacted by a bus driver about a disruptive passenger on his bus, while it was parked at the bus station. The passenger observed the driver speaking with the officer and decided to exit the bus and head to the rail station across the street. The officer followed him and confronted him on the rail platform. During that encounter, the suspect pulled out a handgun and began shooting at the officer. The officer drew her weapon and returned fire. It is unclear if the bystanders were intentionally shot by the gunman or hit from crossfire.

The officer and two bystanders were transported to Medical Center of Plano and Methodist Richardson Medical Center. One of the bystanders passed away as a result of his injuries. The officer and other victim are reported to have non-life threatening injuries. Their names have not been released.

The shooter's name has not been released pending the notification of his next of kin and the need for further investigative work.

UPDATE: 2/8/2012, The civilian victims from yesterday's shooting are 42-year-old Eric Johnson, deceased, and 54-year-old Russell Weinstein who was treated and released. The injured D.A.R.T. officer is Nikisha Manderson. The shooter is 27-year-old Cory Lamar Jones.

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