

INDEPENDENT FORCE INVESTIGATION TEAM – KING COUNTY FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Bellevue Police Department Officer-Involved Shooting

This update concerns the December 9, 2024, investigation into the Bellevue Police Officer involved shooting in the 4300 block of 120th Ave SE, Bellevue, WA.

The Independent Force Investigation Team – King County (IFIT-KC) is serving as the independent investigative team for this Officer Involved Shooting (OIS). IFIT-KC is a multi-agency team comprising investigators from 13 King County Police Departments. As this incident involved the Bellevue Police Department (BPD), all BPD officers and investigators have been excluded from this IFIT-KC investigation.

Update: The resident who died in the officer-involved shooting has been identified as 67-year-old Daniel H. Kerr of Bellevue. The King County Medical Examiner's preliminary findings indicate that Kerr died from two gunshot wounds sustained during a confrontation with police outside his Bellevue home.

The IFIT-KC team is in contact with Kerr's family and will keep them informed of the investigation's progress.

IFIT-KC investigators continue to gather evidence, and they are reviewing officer body worn camera footage of the event. Public notifications will be released weekly until the conclusion of the investigation.

Inquiries regarding this independent investigation should be directed to Sergeant Eric Karp, Public Information Officer with the Kirkland Police Department, at (425) 587-3436 or ekarp@kirklandwa.gov

Per Chapter 139-12 WAC, please note that information regarding any officer-involved shooting cannot be released by an independent investigation team without first notifying the non-law enforcement community representative assigned to the investigation and the family liaison of the involved subject. IFIT -KC will endeavor to incorporate questions received from the media into subsequent press releases.