

MEDIA ADVISORY

Loveland Police Department

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Status of Use of Force Investigation

On Saturday May 20, 2023, at approximately 8:30pm, Loveland Police Department officers responded to a report of an adult female wandering in and out of traffic and speaking incoherently in the area of North Garfield Avenue and East 29th Street in Loveland, Colorado. The female was contacted, placed into protective custody, and transported to the Medical Center of the Rockies for further evaluation. Once at the hospital, the handcuffed female was escorted to an examination room where she was verbally abusive toward healthcare professionals and spat at a nurse and on one of the officers. The officer responded with an inappropriate use of force by striking the female in the face causing minor injuries to her face. The offending officer's partner immediately intervened, removed him from the room and radioed for a supervisor to respond to the scene. The officer was placed upon administrative leave that evening. The adult female was medically cleared and subsequently transported to the Larimer County Jail.

On Sunday, May 21, 2023, Chief Doran spoke with the Larimer County District Attorney's Office and asked for an immediate criminal investigation into this matter. The Larimer County Sheriff's Office is the lead agency in this investigation.

On Tuesday, May 23, 2023, the officer was removed from administrative leave and terminated from the Loveland Police Department at 10:00am.

Available for public release is a recorded video from Chief Doran that accompanies this release. The video is available on the Loveland Police Department Facebook page and the Loveland Police Department website.

Out of respect for the criminal investigative process, the Loveland Police Department will not be identifying the officer or releasing the body camera footage of the incident as the criminal investigation is active and Investigators from the Sheriff's Office are conducting ongoing interviews.

Any updates pertaining to the criminal investigation will be released by the Larimer County Sheriff' Office.

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The information contained in this news release is based on preliminary information available at the time of drafting. The Loveland Police Department's understanding of this incident may change as additional evidence is collected, analyzed, and reviewed. The purpose of this news release is to provide timely information to the public.