



West Allis Police Department Media Release

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The below information is based on preliminary information and the investigation is ongoing...

On Monday, July 20th, 2026, at approximately 2:20 p.m., West Allis police officers responded to a suspicious activity call in the 1500 block of S. 76 St. The initial caller indicated an adult male was pounding on his door saying he needs help and that someone is trying to kill him. The male walked away from the initial caller's residence. The West Allis Communications Center received another call stating the male had smashed out the front window and went inside of a residence in the 1500 block of S. 76 St.

Officers observed the male party inside of the residence and were able to confirm with the homeowner nobody should be in the residence. Officers observed the male party armed with a knife and attempted to speak with him. The unknown male advised officers he had a gun. Around this time a window of the residence broke, and officers heard a sound which could have been gunfire. At this time, the WAPD has not yet confirmed whether a shot was fired.

Officers set up a perimeter around the residence and SWAT personnel responded to the scene. Officers made numerous commands for the male to exit the residence. However, he did not initially respond. Approximately forty (40) minutes after officers started commanding the male to exit, he exited the residence. The male was still armed with a knife and did not listen to the officers' commands. The male was ultimately taken into custody following the deployment of less than lethal munitions and Taser Deployment. The male suspect received medical attention from the West Allis Fire Department and was taken to hospital for medical clearance. No officers were injured during the incident.

Officers and detectives continue to investigate the circumstances of this incident.

