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SLED INVESTIGATING OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING IN CHARLESTON COUNTY

Agents of the S.C. Law Enforcement Division are investigating an incident from Tuesday evening in which one man was shot and killed in a confrontation with a deputy from the Charleston County Sheriff's Office

SLED conducts law enforcement officer involved shooting (OIS) investigations at the request of the agency involved in the incident. When requested to investigate an OIS, SLED's goal is to conduct a thorough, independent criminal investigation as timely as is possible under the circumstances. SLED investigators will attempt to conduct interviews with all potential witnesses in this matter, including the involved officers. Further, SLED will attempt to collect all relevant evidence and will forensically test such evidence as needed.

Information gathered in the SLED investigation of the incident will be summarized in a case file report to be submitted to prosecutors.

This is an ongoing investigation. As such, no other information about the case will be disclosed by SLED at this time. SLED will defer to the Charleston County Sheriff's Office for any information about their deputy.

The incident in Charleston County was the 26th officer involved shooting in South Carolina in 2020 and the third this year involving Charleston County Sheriff's Office. In 2019, there were 45 officer involved shootings in South Carolina; one involved the Charleston County Sheriff's Office.

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