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## **Vallejo Police** **Press Release**

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**Public Information Officer**

**February 14, 2018**

### **Officer Involved Shooting Investigation** **VPD case # 18-1786** **\*UPDATE\***

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Officer involved shooting investigation  
Vallejo Police Case #18-1786

On February 13th 2018 at approximately 7:40 pm, a Vallejo patrol officer attempted to conduct an investigative stop of a subject in the area of Marin at Florida Street. The subject fled from the officer prompting a foot pursuit, followed by a violent physical struggle between the officer and the subject. During the altercation, the officer discharged his duty firearm in self-defense striking the subject.

Medical assistance was immediately summoned to the scene and the subject was pronounced deceased. The Solano County Fatal Incident Protocol was activated and the shooting is being investigated jointly by the Solano County District Attorney's Office and the Vallejo Police Department. As part of standard procedure, the involved officer has been placed on administrative leave pending further investigation.

This investigation is in its preliminary stages and no additional information is available at this time.

**(UPDATED)**

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The following is an update to the original press release disseminated on February 13th 2018.

Further investigation revealed that during the violent physical confrontation between the subject and the officer, the officer deployed his Taser on the subject but it was ineffective. The subject managed to forcibly take away a metal flashlight from the officer and armed himself with it, presenting it in a threatening manner. The officer, fearing imminent and serious physical harm, discharged his duty firearm, striking the subject.

The deceased subject has been identified as Ronnell Foster, a 33 year old Vallejo resident.

***Media can contact the Vallejo PD at 707-651-7147.***

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