

INDEPENDENT FORCE INVESTIGATION TEAM – KING COUNTY FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Bellevue Police Department Officer-Involved Shooting

This update concerns the December 9th, 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 Independent Force Investigation Team of King County has completed its investigation into the officer-involved shooting that occurred on December 9th, 2024, in Bellevue, WA. As part of standard procedure in these incidents, the investigative findings have been forwarded to the King County Prosecuting Attorney's Office Public Integrity Team for review.

The Prosecutor's Office will now conduct an independent assessment of the case to determine whether any criminal charges are warranted. This review is a routine and required step to ensure transparency and accountability in all officer-involved shooting investigations in King County. As the IFIT-KC investigation is now complete, this will be the last weekly update provided by IFIT-KC.

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.