

Man Arrested After Police Respond to Armed Man with Gunshot Wound

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UPDATE: A man is arrested in connection with the shooting incident on the 1600 block of North Avenue Wednesday.

Michael Camacho, 20-years-old was arrested following an investigation by the Critical Incident Response Team (CIRT).

After medical treatment for non-life threatening injuries, Camacho was transported to the Mesa County Jail on charges of first degree assault on a peace officer, a class three felony, and menacing, a class five felony. Camacho is being held on a \$10,000 bond.

A booking photo for Camacho is not currently available.

The officer involved in this incident is Corporal Cody Kennedy, who has served with the Grand Junction Police Department since 2005. He remains on administrative leave, pending the outcome of an internal investigation.

Numerous Grand junction Police Officers swarm to the 1600 block of North Avenue after getting reports of an armed man with a gunshot wound.

The incident caused a shelter in place to be called that has since been lifted.

Police officials said the initial call for this incident was from an individual who said his neighbor had accidentally shot himself in the chest.

Authorities said the reporting party stated that the injured man had walked back to his own apartment, after asking for an ambulance to be called, and that he still had a gun in his hand.

When officers arrived on scene, they were able to make verbal contact with the male, but he wasn't compliant with officer's instructions, and police said at one point an officer with the GJPD did discharge at least one round from a firearm, and it's unknown if this shot struck the man.

Ultimately the suspect did comply and was quickly sent to the hospital for treatment.

"I heard a big bang and I thought well maybe somebody threw something heavy in the trash dumpster

around the building so I came out, and all of a sudden the swat team was running all around me and told me to get back" said Carol Hammer, a resident of the apartment complex where

Local authorities said there are no outstanding suspects in this incident, and that the investigation is still on-going.

The officer who shot his firearm, an 11-year veteran of the GJPD, has been placed on administrative leave pending the outcome of the internal affairs review as is standard protocol in such an incident.

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