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### **Detective Grazed by Bullet While Serving Search Warrant**

Springfield Police officers were serving a search warrant Feb. 21 at 2506 W. Grand when a man emerged and began shooting at officers. Detective Travis Wilson was grazed in the right back/hip by a bullet. The suspect continued shooting while officers returned fire, killing the suspect. No other person was shot.

A couple of people at the scene were taken in for questioning.

SRT secured the house and additional buildings and the crime scene was secured for follow-up investigations.

The incident began Thursday evening when officers were investigating commercial burglaries in the 3100 block of West Chestnut Expwy. Officers attempted to pull over a pick-up truck with no license leaving the area. The driver fled and police did not pursue. The car lot owner confirmed later the truck had been stolen.

The stolen pick up was located wrecked and abandoned at the 700 block of N. West Ave. A witness saw someone exit the pick up and officers followed shoe prints in the snow from the stolen pickup to 2506 W. Grand. A perimeter was established around the residence and a search warrant was obtained for the residence. Officers and SRT were onsite to serve that search warrant when the suspect emerged and fired at officers.

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