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### Officer Involved Shooting After Suspect Attacked People with a Chainsaw

**ST. CHARLES, ILL.** (12/1/24) – On Sunday, December 1st, at approximately 8:45 AM, St. Charles Police Officers were dispatched for a check the welfare call in the 900 block of North 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Witnesses reported that a shirtless male was holding a chainsaw and attempting to cut down a tree on the property of the “River Glen of St. Charles”, an assisted living center. Just before police arrival, witnesses advised the subject had now gained entry to the lobby of the building and began confronting residents with the chainsaw. Arriving Officers attempted to de-escalate the situation; however, the suspect continued his attempts to use the chainsaw against residents of the building, and the Officers. A taser was deployed on the suspect but his attack continued. An Officer was then forced to fire his service weapon, striking the suspect. First aid was immediately rendered; however, the suspect was later pronounced deceased at Northwestern Medicine Delnor Hospital. Residents of the assisted living facility and responding Officers were treated at the scene for minor injuries. The suspect's name is being withheld until their next of kin are notified. Per protocol, the Illinois State Police are leading the investigation of the officer-involved shooting.

#### **About the St. Charles Police Department**

*The St. Charles Police Department provides law enforcement, investigations, traffic and special events, social services, crime prevention, and community outreach services to the St. Charles, Illinois, community. One of the first agencies in Illinois to be accredited by the Commission on Accreditation for Law Enforcement Agencies, the Department has retained accreditation since 1989. The St. Charles Police Department actively supports Special Olympics Illinois and embraces community-oriented service to the 33,000 residents and more than 2,000 businesses in St. Charles. The City of St. Charles is conveniently located 35 miles west of Chicago, in Kane and northwestern DuPage counties. The City is guided by the three driving principles in its Mission: Service. Tradition. Community. Together, these principles create a thriving environment for people who live or visit here, and for businesses to prosper. More at [stcharlesil.gov](http://stcharlesil.gov), and follow us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [Instagram](#), [YouTube](#), and [LinkedIn](#).*

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