## ALBANYCALIFORNIA



FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2023

## **MAYOR'S STATEMENT**

## SHOOTING AT TOYOTA OF BERKELEY

As many of you have probably heard, Albany experienced a tragic shooting at Toyota of Berkeley yesterday. The attack was domestic in nature, and one victim as well as the attacker died. Due to the ongoing nature of the investigation, we cannot share further details at this time, but our Police Department is coordinating with the County Sheriff and others to share additional information as they can. Their statement from this morning is included below.

My heart, and the well wishes of our entire city, go out to the family of the victim. While we cannot hope to make up for their loss, we will do everything we can to offer support and counseling to those affected by this tragedy.

I would like to offer my heartfelt thanks to the officers of the Berkeley Police Department, Albany Police Department, and Alameda County Sheriff's office, as well as the numerous other emergency personnel, who responded to the scene and helped control a dangerous situation.

It is deeply frustrating and saddening for our City to be another on a list that is all too long who have had to respond to a shooting and for anyone in our community to have been hurt in such a horrifying and needless way.

## JOINT STATEMENT ON HOMICIDE/OFFICER-INVOLVED SHOOTING INVESTIGATION

Albany, Calif. – The Alameda County Sheriff's Office (ACSO) is investigating an outside agency officer-involved shooting (OIS) that occurred today, September 20, 2023, around 11:30 a.m.

The OIS occurred after Albany and Berkeley Police officers responded to a reported active shooter at the Toyota of Berkeley Service Center at 1025 Eastshore Highway in the City of Albany. Dispatch centers for both agencies received multiple 9-1-1 calls from people inside the business, beginning around 11:14 hours. Witnesses indicated that a man armed with a gun entered the business and shot a woman employed by the service center.

Responding officers from the Berkeley Police Department (BPD) were first on scene. BPD officers evacuated the area and established a fast action team, which immediately entered the business searching for the shooter. BPD officers encountered the suspect on the second floor, and multiple BPD officers discharged their firearms. The details of that encounter are still under investigation, but we can confirm that the suspect is deceased.

Investigators have determined that the incident was an act of domestic violence. The names of the victim and the suspect will not be released until we have confirmed their identities and notified the families.

The Alameda County District Attorney's Officer-Involved Shooting Team responded to the scene, and their investigation will run concurrently with the ACSO's investigation.

The Albany Police Department will lead the homicide investigation.

