

UMATILLA COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE

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Milton-Freewater, Oregon

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MAN IN CUSTODY AFTER SHOTS FIRED

Tonight (03.06.2023) at approximately 7:00 p.m. deputies were dispatched to the Locust Trailer Court, 1501 N Elizabeth St in Milton-Freewater. A 911 caller reported hearing a gunshot and seeing a man holding a gun near a parked vehicle.

While deputies were enroute, additional information received reported the man was acting erratic, pointing the gun at vehicles, jumping back and forth, screaming, getting in and out of the parked vehicle and walking around with a gun. He then reportedly fired the gun again.

Umatilla County Deputies, together with Oregon State Police, Walla Walla County Sheriff's Office and Milton-Freewater City Police arrived on scene. Officers approached the man on foot. Sergeant Roberts with the Umatilla County Sheriff's Office used de-escalation techniques to eventually convince the man to surrender without incident.

No injuries were reported. A firearm stolen out of Walla Walla, WA in 2018 was recovered at the scene.

The man was identified as Luis Antonio ANGEL FREGOSO (30-years-old from Milton-Freewater). He was arrested and lodged at the Umatilla County Jail for Unlawful Use of a Weapon x 2, Theft 1 by Receiving, Disorderly Conduct 2 and Reckless Endangering. He appeared intoxicated at the time of his arrest.

A sincere thank you to our partners in law enforcement who responded to assist with this call.

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Today, March 5th, 2022, at approximately 12:10 am, Umatilla County Sheriff's Office received 911 calls regarding shots fired in the 84000 block of Yellow Jacket Rd., Milton Freewater, Oregon. Initial reports indicated there were possibly victims from the shooting. Umatilla County Sheriff's Office Deputies, assisted by Oregon State Police, Milton Freewater Police, Oregon State Police Crime Lab, Walla Walla County Sheriff's Office and Walla Walla Police, responded and conducted an initial investigation.

Investigators on scene confirmed an 18-year-old male from Milton-Freewater had gunshot wounds. Prior to law enforcement arriving, the victim had been transported from the address in a private vehicle to St. Mary's Hospital, in Walla Walla. The 18-year-old succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced dead shortly after arriving at St. Mary's. The initial investigation indicates the victim was involved in a confrontation at the residence with another male, which led up to the shooting.

Currently, there is no additional concern for the general public's safety. The investigation remains ongoing.