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## **NEWS RELEASE**

August 13, 2016, at 5:08 AM, Joplin Police responded to 1810 S. Connecticut Ave. in reference to a report of a subject shooting at that location.

Officers located a possible suspect vehicle southbound on Connecticut Ave. As they were preparing to engage in a vehicle stop, the sole occupant and operator of the vehicle fired shots striking victims at 32<sup>nd</sup> St. and Connecticut Ave. The officers engaged in pursuit of the suspect during which the suspect fired shots at victims near 32<sup>nd</sup> St. and Texas Ave.

At 5:22 AM, the pursuit ended at 32<sup>nd</sup> St. and Pearl Ave. where the suspect submitted to arrest without further resistance.

Multiple victims from each location were transported to local hospitals. At this time, there have been no fatalities as a result of this incident.

Crime scenes are being held at 1810 S. Connecticut, 32<sup>nd</sup> St. and Connecticut Ave., and 32<sup>nd</sup> St. and Texas Ave. The investigation continues.

At 9:30 AM, there will be a press conference in the lobby of the Joplin Police Department.