



RIVERSIDE: Coroner IDs man involved in police shootout

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The man Riverside police say committed suicide after trading gunfire with officers was a 51-year-old city resident, say county coroner's officials.

Steven Lewis was found dead shortly before 10 p.m. Monday, Feb. 23, in a house along the 2700 block of Pleasant Street.

The [incident began](#) with what a witness described as an argument among several men and a woman about a half hour earlier in a home along the nearby 2800 block of Prospect Avenue. A gunshot reportedly was fired during that fight, police say.

When officers arrived and knocked on the door, a man ran into the backyard, grabbed a shotgun and fired at the officers, Sgt. Troy Banks said in a written statement.

The man then ran to the house where police say he shot himself with the shotgun.