

# SALEM POLICE DEPARTMENT MEDIA RELEASE

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### *Officer shoots suspect in menacing incident*

**Salem, Ore.** — A suspect was injured late Thursday afternoon after being shot by a Salem Police officer.

At approximately 4:45 p.m., the dispatch center received a report of a man with a gun in the parking lot of the Popeyes Restaurant at 2595 Lancaster DR NE. The caller reported a man pointed the gun at a person and was also trying to stop drivers.

An officer in the area was flagged down by a witness and provided the suspect's description. The officer located the suspect walking in the area of Coral AV and Wolverine ST NE. The suspect pointed what appeared to be a gun at the officer while the officer was still in his vehicle. The officer fired his weapon, injuring the suspect.

The suspect was transported for medical care with a non-life-threatening injury. The officer was not injured.

The Marion County [Law Enforcement Officer Deadly Use of Force Plan](#) under [Senate Bill 111](#) has been initiated for this incident, and [Oregon State Police](#) (OSP) will be conducting the primary investigation in coordination with the [Marion County District Attorney's Office](#).

Per the use of force plan protocol, all further details concerning this investigation will be provided by OSP.

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