

UPDATED: New Bedford Police respond to shooting on Pleasant Street, suspect still at large

UPDATE: Official statement from the New Bedford Police Department: "There were no shots fired on Pleasant St. last night. There was a foot pursuit in Temple Landing which I may have some further information on later. However, the foot pursuit was NOT precipitated by shots fired."

At approximately, 9:00pm Wednesday, October 26th, the New Bedford Police Department responded to a reported shooting on Pleasant Street in the city's west end.

Upon arrival, police encountered a vehicle with an unknown number of occupants that fled the scene leading New Bedford Police in a car pursuit. Once on Park Street near Temple Landing, New Bedford Police chased one suspect into a backyard, and managed to surround him. Eyewitnesses on scene reported that a physical struggle then ensued between the suspect and police officers..

During the struggle, a pistol fell from the suspect's jacket which police recovered. The suspect, who police say they are familiar with, managed to hop a fence and escape.

New Bedford Police have not yet released details on whether someone was actually shot and what the extent of the injuries, if any, are.

This is a developing story, and we will update the story throughout the day.