Subject Dies Following Struggle With Police

Berkeley, California (February 13, 2013) – On 2/12/13 at approximately 11:49 pm, BPD was dispatched to the 2000 block of Allston Way on a disturbance call. Upon arrival, uniformed officers spoke with the reporting party and were directed to the 41 year old male subject’s residence nearby.

During the contact, the subject became increasingly agitated and uncooperative to the officer’s verbal commands and began to scream and violently resist. After struggling with officers they were able to gain control of the subject and place him in restraints. The subject continued to kick and scream at officers.

Due to the subject’s large stature, officers requested the assistance of the Berkeley Fire Department for a gurney to assist in transporting the subject for further evaluation. While under restraint officers determined the subject was not breathing and immediately began CPR.

BFD arrived and transported the subject to a local hospital where he was pronounced deceased.

Per BPD policy, the District Attorney’s Office was notified and the case is being investigated by the Detective Division.

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