

# MEDIA RELEASE

## Two People Found Deceased Inside Car on Hwy 26

December 1, 2021

On Wednesday, December 1, 2021, at around 3:30 a.m., Washington County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to a vehicle parked along the side of westbound Highway 26 near NW Mountindale Rd., near the City of Banks. Deputies discovered two bodies inside a 2012 black Nissan Altima that appeared to be deceased.

Detectives with the Violent Crimes Unit responded to investigate the incident along with members of the Forensic Science Unit. The investigation appears to show Alejandro Gomez-Blanco, age 46 of Beaverton, shot and killed his wife, Yolanda Constantino, age 44 of Beaverton, before turning the gun on himself. A handgun was recovered inside the car.

Detectives notified family members of the deaths and are continuing the investigation.

The westbound lanes of Highway 26 were closed for more than six hours during the incident.

Members of the [Violent Crimes Unit](#) are called upon to investigate serious violent crimes such as homicides, suspicious deaths, adult sexual assaults, kidnappings, robberies, extortion, serious assaults, elder abuse, and missing persons.

Crime Scene Technicians with the [Forensic Science Unit](#) receive specialized training in identifying and collecting evidence at crime scenes throughout Washington County. Evidence is transported back to the Forensics lab, where our Criminalists can examine it for additional leads. Members of the Forensic Science Unit use advanced scientific technology to help move investigations forward.



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