

# TPD officer shot during traffic stop

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A Tulsa police officer escaped serious injury early Sunday when he was shot during a routine traffic stop.

Officer Scott Osborn had initiated a traffic stop at 1:30 a.m. near Heatherstone Apartments, 9730 E. 33rd St., on a person apparently driving left of center.

After stopping the vehicle, the officer noticed the driver, Everardo Valencia-Tadeo, 36, waving his arms out of the driver's side window, according to reports. As Osborn approached the vehicle, Valencia-Tadeo allegedly rolled up the window and refused to comply with the officer's requests, Sgt. Mike Huff said.



Valencia-Tadeo

As Osborn attempted to get Valencia-Tadeo to roll down the vehicle's window, he noticed a cell phone in his hand. As the officer started to walk back to his police car, he heard several gunshots and realized he had been shot in the chest, Huff said.

Osborn, who was wearing a bullet-proof vest, was able to give a description of Valencia-Tadeo's vehicle as he took cover.

Valencia-Tadeo was taken into custody a short time later as he was walking near the 3200 block of South 101st East Avenue. Police recovered a 9 mm semi-automatic handgun from his pants pocket as he was arrested, Huff said.

Osborn was taken to St. John Medical Center for observation, but was released a short time later.

"His bullet-proof vest saved his life," Huff said.

Valencia-Tadeo was booked into the Tulsa Jail on a complaint of shooting with intent to kill. According to reports, he resides at a Tulsa address but is a citizen of Mexico.