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**Two Officers Shot at Protest Outside Ferguson Police Station**

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Two police officers were injured by gunfire during a protest outside of the Ferguson, Missouri, police department early Thursday.

Several users on social media posted photos of police carrying away an officer, allegedly wounded by gunfire.

St. Louis County Police Chief Jon Belmar told a press conference that one officer was shot in the face, while a second was hit in the shoulder. He added that the shots did not come from the crowd of protesters.

Ferguson Lt. Col. Al Eickhoff told the St. Louis Post-Dispatch that he did not think either of the officers were from his department.

There were also reports on social media of a heavy police presence at a local hospital.

Police radio communications revealed that police were looking for a white Chevrolet, occupied by one female and three males, that drove away quickly from the scene.

Protesters had gathered in front of the Ferguson police department earlier Wednesday night to demand further reforms following [a damning report](#) by the U.S. Department of Justice which identified racially-biased practices in Ferguson municipal institutions, including Police, just hours after Ferguson Police Chief Thomas Jackson [announced that he had resigned](#) from his post.

Jackson's resignation is set to take effect on March 19.

The Ferguson police chief has been the focus of anger at racial discrimination within the city's police force since [Michael Brown, an unarmed black](#) teenager, was shot dead by a white Ferguson police officer last summer.

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