



# MEDIA RELEASE

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### Ames Police Investigate Death at City Hall

On August 29, 2023, at 5:58 p.m., the Ames Police Department responded to a report of a gunshot heard on the north side of City Hall, 515 Clark Avenue. Officers located a deceased female. Based on the initial investigation, the death appears to be from a self-inflicted gunshot wound. The name of the female is being withheld pending notification of family.

The Ames Police Department continues to investigate this incident.

If you are struggling or in need of mental health assistance, please reach out. You are not alone. You may call or text 988. The number to Mobile Crisis is 855-581-8111.

Anyone with information regarding this incident is asked to call the Ames Police Department at 515-239-5133 or the anonymous tip line **515-239-5533**. You may also contact Crime Stoppers of Central Iowa at 515-223-1400. Online anonymous tips may be submitted to [www.crimestoppersofcentraliowa.com](http://www.crimestoppersofcentraliowa.com).

Questions regarding this press release may be directed to Sergeant Amber Christian, Ames Police Department, at (515) 239-5134 or (515) 239-5133.

**A criminal charge is merely an accusation, and defendant(s) are presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.**

