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PORAC Responds to Shooting of Two Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Deputies Both officers were shot at a Metro station in Compton Saturday evening

SACRAMENTO, CA — The political climate surrounding law enforcement has taken a disturbing turn as two Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department Deputies were nearly assassinated by a lone gunman Saturday night at a local Metro station, adding to the litany of ambushes of police officers in 2020.

Surveillance video taken from the Metro station shows the man approaching the passenger side door and firing several times from close approximately of the officers. The suspect then ran off on foot.

One deputy, a 31-year-old female, was shot in the jaw and arms and is in stable condition. The other deputy, a 24-year-old male, was shot in the forehead, arm and hand and is described as alert. Neither of their names have been released to the public but both were sworn in just 14 months ago.

Thus far, 37 officers have been reported feloniously killed in 2020, seven more than at this time last year.

The attack on these two deputies has left us disappointed and dismayed. It was a cowardly attack on officials just doing their jobs, protecting their community.

What's even more disgusting was the small crowd that congregated outside St. Francis Medical Center in Lynwood, who chanted anti-law enforcement slogans and death to the Deputies, as both deputies were being treated.

PORAC wishes these two wounded heroes a speedy recovery. PORAC stands with every California Peace Officer to assure the public that our nation's law enforcement professionals are working hard to protect our communities while building respect and trust.

PORAC staunchly condemns the continued attacks and attempts on the lives of police officers nationwide. We are calling for an end to the war on cops.

There is currently a \$100,000 reward offer for any information leading to the gunman's arrest. Contact Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department investigators with your tips at 323-890-5500.