



**Ohio Attorney General's Office
Bureau of Criminal Investigation
Investigative Report**



2024-1015

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 100 Block 8th Street, N.E.
New Philadelphia, Ohio 44663 Tuscarawas, County

Investigative Activity: Document Review Sheriff's Office report
Involves: Tuscarawas County Sheriff's Office
Activity Date: 05/07/2024
Activity Location: Bowling Green Office
Authoring Agent: SA Chris Hamberg #69

Narrative:

On May 5, 2024, Special Agent (SA) Chris Hamberg (Hamberg) received a copy of the Tuscarawas County Sheriff's Office (TCSO) incident report regarding the Officer Involved Critical Incident (OICI). The TCSO incident number was (P24-00444).

The report was dated March 31, 2024. The report indicated at approximately 2106 hours deputies were dispatched to assist the New Philadelphia Police Department (NPPD) regarding a vehicle that crashed into a house when the subject fled the area.

██████████ ██████████ ██████████ ██████████ assisted in locating the subject when the subject got inside ██████████ ██████████'s cruiser. ██████████ ██████████ gave numerous verbal commands for the subject to exit the cruiser. The subject failed to comply with the verbal commands when the situation escalated, and ██████████ ██████████ discharged his duty weapon toward the subject. The subject fled the scene with ██████████ ██████████'s cruiser.

For further please refer to the TCSO incident report that is attached to this investigative report.

References:

None

Attachments:

01: TCSO incident report.

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Case [REDACTED]

Printed on April 18, 2024

Status	Approved
Report Type	Patrol
Primary Officer	Adam Fisher
Investigator	None
Reported At	03/31/24 21:06
Incident Date	03/31/24 21:06 - 04/01/24 04:00
Incident Code	ACCIDENT/INJ - 4 : ACCIDENT WITH INJURIES
Location	735 FAIR AV NE, NEW PHILADELPHIA, OH 44663
Zone	11NP New Philadelphia City - Goshen Township
Beat	
Court	None
Ereferral County	None
Disposition	Pending Investigation (Open)
Disposition Date/Time	04/01/24 04:00
Disposition Comments	Deputies were dispatched to assist the New Philadelphia Police Department with a vehicle crash. The vehicle was described to have crashed into a house and the driver fled the area. Upon arrival, [REDACTED] [REDACTED] interacted with the suspect. The was a turbulent series of events in New Philadelphia and shots were fired. The investigation is continuing with 3 crime scenes and two vehicle crashes.
	Report to Follow.
Review for Gang Activity	None

Offense Information

Offense	Failure to Control
Statute	4511.202
NIBRS Code	
Counts	1
Offense Details	MM
Include In NIBRS	Yes
Completed	Yes
Bias Motivation	No Bias/Not Applicable
Location	Street
Entry Forced	No

Offense	Theft _ without consent - 240 - Motor Vehicle Theft
Statute	2913.02A1
NIBRS Code	240 - Motor Vehicle Theft
Counts	1
Offense Details	F4
Include In NIBRS	Yes
Completed	Yes
Bias Motivation	No Bias/Not Applicable
Location	Street
Entry Forced	No
Cargo Theft	No

Offender

Case [REDACTED]

FLYNN, MATTHEW THOMAS

Male, DOB 8/4/89

3089 OVERDALE DR
RICHFIELD, OH 44286

6' 2", 200lbs
Brown eyes, Black hair

OLN: OH [REDACTED] Exp 2024

SSN: [REDACTED]

2913.02A1 - Theft _ without consent - 240 - Motor
Vehicle Theft - F4
4511.202 - Failure to Control - MM

Victim

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Vehicles

[REDACTED] OH - (Stolen)
2022 Black Ford Explorer
Owner BOARD OF TUSCARAWAS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

FOG6033 OH - (Suspect's)
2017 Silver Ford F150 Series
Owner MATTHEW THOMAS FLYNN

GGW8950 OH
2018 Black Hyundai Elantra
Owner JAMES A RIEBAU



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Initial Narrative

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Initial Report By Adam Fisher

Case [REDACTED]

Typed By Adam Fisher

On March 31, 2024 at approximately 2109 hrs, the Tuscarawas County Sheriff's Office was notified of a vehicle crash which occurred near the intersection of 8th St NE and Fair Ave NE in the City of New Philadelphia. It was further described that vehicle had run into a house located at 827 8th St NE and the operator of the white Ford pick up truck (OH Reg FOG6033) had fled the scene of the crash.

Deputies responded to the area of the incident in an effort to assist the New Philadelphia Police Department in locating the suspected driver. [REDACTED] was the first to in the area, turning southbound on 8th St SE from Fair Ave NE. [REDACTED] came into contact with a male near the 124 8th St NE.

Almost immediately upon exiting his patrol vehicle upon locating the male, [REDACTED] proceeded around [REDACTED] of his vehicle (presumably to speak with the male). Simultaneously the suspect opened the passenger door of [REDACTED] s cruiser and entered the vehicle. At the time [REDACTED] made his way to the opened passenger door, the suspect was sitting in the driver's area of the cruiser. A number of commands were [REDACTED] to the suspect by [REDACTED] to exit the cruiser. These commands were ignored. The situation escalated, [REDACTED] fired his duty pistol and the suspect fled from the area in [REDACTED] s cruiser.

The suspect proceeded to drive [REDACTED] s cruiser southbound on 8th St NE to East High Ave where he turned westbound traveling to 7th Dr SE. The suspect turned southbound on 7th Dr SE where he traveled to the intersection of Bank Lane SE. The vehicle was turned eastbound on Bank Lane SE and driven until the cruiser struck a vehicle (OH Reg GGW8950) parked on Tell St SE near 850 East High Ave. Bank Lane SE becomes Tell St SE approximately two blocks south of the intersection of Tell St SE and East High Ave.

The unresponsive suspect was removed from [REDACTED] s cruiser and life saving measures were taken until EMS arrived on scene. The male was transported to Union Hospital by New Philadelphia Fire Department where he later died from his injuries.