



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



2023-1535

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 311 25th Street SW, Canton, Ohio

Investigative Activity: Interview of Reporting Party
Involves: Brittany Sherwood (O), Daniel Sherwood (O)
Activity Date: 6/7/2023
Activity Location: 310 Donald Place SW, Canton, Ohio 44706
Authoring Agent: SA Nick Valente #139

Narrative:

On June 7, 2023, at approximately 2343 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Nick Valente (Valente) and SA Bill Conn (Conn) conducted an interview with Brittany Sherwood (B. Sherwood) and her husband Daniel Sherwood (D. Sherwood). B. Sherwood was identified as the party who called 911 reporting the disturbance at 311 25TH Street SW, Canton, Ohio, involving Jeffrey Neff (J. Neff) and his wife Domnita Neff (D. Neff).

The interviews with B. Sherwood and D. Sherwood were audio recorded and the recording was attached to this report. B. Sherwood also provided SA Valente four screenshots of a text message conversation she had with D. Neff preceding this incident. Those text message screenshots were attached to this report.

During the interview B. Sherwood reported the following:

B. Sherwood and D. Neff are friends and have known each other for years. D. Neff was B. Sherwood's manager at Dollar General where the two previously worked together. D. Neff texted B. Sherwood "Britt, call the cops he wont leave." [1:45 of audio recording] B. Sherwood then texted D. Neff and asked her what she should say to the police. D. Neff responded, telling B. Sherwood to say she was a neighbor and heard an argument. B. Sherwood then called 911 and reported the incident. B. Sherwood stated she was sitting on her porch after placing the 911 call and shortly thereafter heard the sound of gunshots. B. Sherwood feared that J. Neff may have shot D. Neff when she heard the sound of gunshots. *Note that B. Sherwood lives one street south of and in close proximity to the Neff's home.*

B. Sherwood reported that she heard a single gunshot followed by a short break approximately one second in length followed by a volley of additional gunshots she believed to be six or eight gunshots.

B. Sherwood did not physically hear the argument between D. Neff and J. Neff, that preceded the shooting.

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B. Sherwood reported that earlier in the day she sent D. Neff information about a drug treatment program her brother previously attended. B. Sherwood believed D. Neff was attempting to get J. Neff to attend this treatment program for his drug addiction issues.

D. Sherwood stated that he and his wife, B. Sherwood, were acquaintances with the Neff's and the two couples had gone out on occasion in the past. D. Sherwood referred to J. Neff in a negative light, stating he talked to his wife and kids poorly, was a drug addict, would leave for days on end doing drugs, and would randomly appear at the home and threaten his family.

D. Sherwood reported he heard the argument between the Neff's while sitting on his front porch. D. Sherwood stated he was sitting outside on his porch with his wife when they heard the gunshots. D. Sherwood believed the first shot he heard was J. Neff shooting at police and the quick volley of shots that ensued just after was the police returning fire. D. Sherwood believed the break in time between the first shot and the volley of additional shots was less than 10 seconds. D. Sherwood stated that J. Neff was known to carry a firearm and was not necessarily anti-police but was not a friendly person in general.

Attachments:

1. 2023-06-07: Audio - Interview of Brittany Sherwood and Daniel Sherwood
2. 2023-06-08: Brittany Sherwood and Domnita Neff Text Message 1 - IMG_5754
3. 2023-06-08: Brittany Sherwood and Domnita Neff Text Message 2 - IMG_5755
4. 2023-06-08: Brittany Sherwood and Domnita Neff Text Message 3 - IMG_5752
5. 2023-06-08: Brittany Sherwood and Domnita Neff Text Message 3 Timestamped - IMG_5753



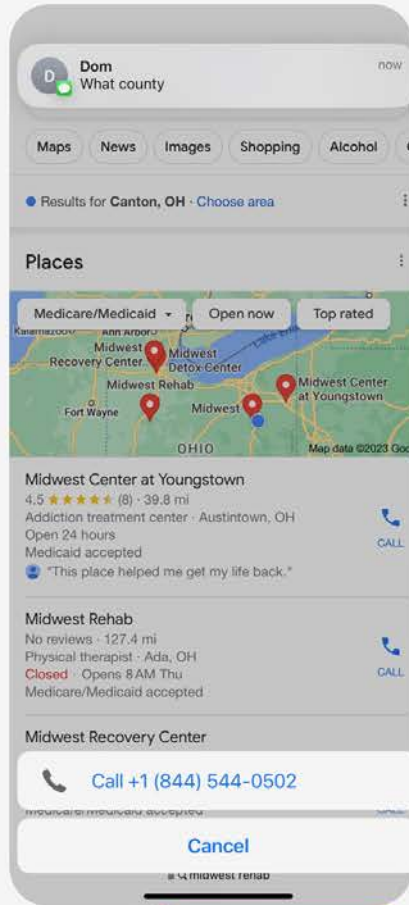
Dom >



Britt whats name and number where your brother went? He needs go now

Midwest

What county



Youngstown

Right by that casino

Tell them it's urgent you can't wait til Tomorrow

12:55



Dom >



Ohhh i will

Britt im gonna kill em

Fr

Is he willing to go

He says so

I'd call them
Now and tell them you can't wait until
morning he needs to go now

Did you get ahold of them

Nope I've called 6x

Damm they usually take them in am

Britt call cops and send em

He wont leave

What okay what's your address what
do I say

My sisters husband won't leave

Tell em your concerned neighbor
heard argument



iMessage



12:49



Dom >



Hope I've called OK

Damm they usually take them in am

Britt call cops and send em

He wont leave

What okay what's your address what do I say

My sisters husband won't leave

Tell em your concerned neighbor heard argument

Okay what's the address

311 25th st sw

Ok calling now

On way

Dude what was that

Read Yesterday

They wont let me go

Dom I'm sorry we went over where are you

Delivered



iMessage





Damm they usually take them in am 9:40 PM

Britt call cops and send em 10:03 PM

He wont leave 10:03 PM

What okay what's your address what do I say 10:03 PM

My sisters husband won't leave 10:04 PM

Tell em your concerned neighbor heard argument 10:04 PM

Okay what's the address 10:04 PM

311 25th st sw 10:04 PM

Ok calling now 10:04 PM

On way 10:07 PM

Dude what was that 10:22 PM

Read Yesterday

They wont let me go 10:47 PM

Dom I'm sorry we went over where are you 10:47 PM

Delivered