



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



2023-2730  
Officer Involved Critical Incident – 4312 Helena Avenue,  
Youngstown, OH 44512, Mahoning County

**Investigative Activity:** Interview with Witness  
**Involves:** Tom Allison (O)  
**Date of Activity:** 10/13/2023  
**Author:** SA John P. Tingley, #154

**Narrative:**

On Friday, October 13, 2023, at approximately 0839 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) John Tingley (Tingley) interviewed Tom Allison (Allison) at his residence which is located at 28 North Yorkshire Road, Apartment 4, Austintown, Ohio.

Allison is a paramedic employed by Emergency Medical Transport and responded to the officer-involved critical incident at 4312 Helena Avenue, Youngstown, Ohio, on October 12, 2023.

This report only summarizes the information deemed by the author to be of the most relevance to the investigation and does not purport to contain all questions and answers from the interview. Further, this report was placed in a chronology to aid the reader's overall understanding of the information obtained during the interview and may not be reflective of the actual sequencing of questions nor is it a word for word translation of either the questions or answers. It is suggested that the full recording be reviewed to clarify any content or contextual questions regarding the information from the interview.

The interview began with Allison stating that he was responding to a different call when he was diverted to Helena Avenue for a possible shooting. He was directed to stage in the area and picked a location where he could see the scene at 4312 Helena Avenue. After a few minutes, he was told to proceed to the scene.

Upon arrival at the scene, Allison was told the patient was upstairs in the residence. He went to the area indicated and located the patient (Ricco Acevedo) laying on his back on the floor with police officers providing first aid.

Allison stated he then began treating Acevedo for his injuries. He stated that Acevedo was not moving and Allison began assisting Acevedo with his breathing. Allison checked but could not find a pulse on Acevedo so he began CPR. After beginning CPR, Allison located a wound in the area of Acevedo's left armpit which was bleeding.

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As the wound was bleeding badly, Allison shifted to treating the aforementioned wound while other Emergency Medical Services (EMS) personnel continued CPR.

A short time later, the monitor attached to Acevedo to monitor his heart rate/heartbeat, showed that Acevedo had no heart rate/heartbeat. At this time, Emergency Medical Transport Supervisor Jeff Dobson (Dobson) was on scene. Dobson contacted Trumbull Memorial Hospital, per the Emergency Medical Transport protocol, and spoke with a physician. After being advised of the treatment for Acevedo provided and Acevedo's current condition, the physician told the Emergency Medical Transport personnel to stop treatment.

The interview was then concluded at approximately 0846 hours.

For further details, please review the audio recording of this interview which is attached to this report.

**Attachments:**

Attachment # 01: 2023-2730 INTERVIEW WITNESS ALLISON