



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



2024-2371

Officer Involved Critical Incident – 197 West 8th Ave., Columbus,
Ohio 43201 (L)

Investigative Activity: Neighborhood Canvass
Date of Activity: 08/11/2024
Activity Location: – Area around 242 West 8th Avenue, Columbus, OH 43201
Author: SA Chad Holcomb, #61

Narrative:

On Sunday, August 11, 2024, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agents Chad Holcomb (SA Holcomb), Special Agent David Wieging (SA Wieging) and Columbus Division of Police Detective Art Hughes (Det. Hughes) conducted a neighborhood canvass in the area of 242 West 8th Avenue, Columbus, Ohio. The purpose for the canvass was to identify and interview potential witnesses to the officer-involved shooting that occurred at 242 West 8th Avenue, Columbus, Ohio, on Sunday, August 11, 2024. During the neighborhood canvass, Special Agents Holcomb, Wieging and Det. Hughes made or attempted contact with the residents at the following addresses:

1527 Worthington Street – Jacob Breese

Jacob Breese stated that at 0818 hours, he called 911 after he heard yelling between men. He originally thought it was drunk people yelling at each other and described the yelling as “very aggressive.” He heard someone mention “gun” and then heard a lot of people yelling, “drop the gun.” After that, he heard five (5) or six (6) gunshots. He then called 911. Breese did not see anything.

1525 Worthington Street

No contact at the residence.

1523 Worthington Street

No contact at the residence. Looking in a window, it does not appear anyone currently lives there.

1533 Worthington Avenue

No contact at the residence.

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1537 Worthington Avenue

No contact at the residence.

1531 Worthington Avenue – Justin Gillilan

Justin Gillilan stated that he was home during the shooting. He woke up around 0812 hours to go out fishing and heard six (6) gunshots. He immediately called 911 and told them he heard gunshots. That was the only thing he heard or saw.

1541 Worthington Avenue – Bryan Perez

Bryan Perez was asleep and did not see or hear anything.

1529 Worthington Avenue – Saliha Choudhury

Saliha Choudhury was home but did not hear or see anything.

201 West 9th Avenue – Bailey Richards

Bailey Richardson heard two or three gunshots but only saw CPD officers.

203 West 9th Avenue

No contact at residence.

207 West 9th Avenue – Lidia Atsideth

Lidia Atsideth woke up to hearing approximately three gunshots but didn't hear or see anything else.

215 West 9th Avenue – Jayden Vannoy & Fausto Torres

Vannoy and Torres said that around 0800 hours, they were woken up by gunshots. They looked out the window and saw six CPD officers at the corner of a building. They did not hear anything leading up to the shooting.

217 West 9th Avenue

No contact at the residence.

226 W. 8th Ave. Apt. #1 – Molly Jasina

Jasina said when she woke up at "8" the police were already around her residence, she was not a witness to what took place.

226 W. 8th Ave. Apt. #2

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No contact at the residence.

226 W. 8th Ave. Apt. #3

No contact at the residence.

226 W. 8th Ave. Apt. #4

No contact at the residence.

226 W. 8th Ave. Apt. #5

No contact at the residence.

240 W. 8th Ave., Apt. A – Tyler Srail

Srail advised that he had been home however he was asleep during the time of the incident.

240 W. 8th Ave., Apt. B – Dalton Graves

Graves said he was not a witness to the incident however he did hear the gunfire. He said he initially heard some muffled shouting and arguing and then someone shout, “Drop the weapon! Drop the weapon!” followed by gunfire. He said he then took shelter in his bathroom but not before he seen shadows outside his window sprinting north.

240 W. 8th Ave., Apt. C

No contact at the residence.

240 W. 8th Ave., Apt. D

No contact at the residence.

240 W. 8th Ave., Apt. E

No contact at the residence.

240 W. 8th Ave., Apt. F

No contact at the residence.

240 W. 8th Ave., Apt. H

SA Wieging spoke with Isaiah Good (Good) whom related he woke up around 8 o'clock having heard 4 or 5 shots with someone yelling, “Shots fired. Shots fired.” Good said that he looked (south) out his window and saw a bunch of police officers. Good did not see the police chasing anyone. Good shared that he took several photographs and a video of the police

outside, which he provided to SA Wieging. The photographs and video are attached to this report.

Good provided his cell phone number as [REDACTED].

240 W. 8th Ave., Apt R

SA Wieging spoke with Meretta Hanson (Hanson). Hanson related she woke up to gunshots and yelling at approximately 0820 hours. She said she saw who was believed to be the suspect running. Hanson heard "Put the gun down. Drop the gun." Hanson added that everyone ran (south) pointing in that direction and possibly down the alley. Hanson took a couple of photographs, which are attached to this report, of the parking lot that was marked off with police tape outside her apartment.

Hanson provided her cell phone number as [REDACTED].

240 W. 8th Ave., Apt. T

SA Wieging spoke with Miriam Diaz (Diaz). Diaz stated she was asleep when she heard the suspect scream "Is there anybody? Wake up." She also heard the police say "leave the gun" several times. When asked to clarify, Diaz said drop it. Diaz was too scared to look out the window and had gone to her bathroom.

Diaz provided her cell phone number as [REDACTED].

240 W. 8th Ave., Apt. U

SA Wieging spoke with Ehsan Saleh (Saleh). Saleh said he did not see anything. He explained to SA Wieging that he only heard someone say "drop the gun" or "put the fucking gun down." Saleh stated he also heard several shots being fired.

Saleh provided his cell phone number as [REDACTED].

240 W. 8th Ave., Apt. Y

SA Wieging spoke with Megan Wang (Wang) and she stated she was about to go to church when she witnessed police. A friend who was going to pick her up, had shared with her that several roads nearby were blocked off. Wang only saw two officers walk in front of her apartment. She did not hear any gunshots, but she heard something loud, which she thought was either the people rummaging through the dumpster or someone knocking on her door.

Wang provided her cell phone number as [REDACTED].

The interviews conducted were recorded. A copy of the recordings are attached to this investigative report.

References:

No references.

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Attachments:

- Attachment # 01: 2024-08-11 - Neighborhood Canvas 1 (2024-2371)
- Attachment # 02: 2024-08-11 - Neighborhood Canvas 2 (2024-2371)
- Attachment # 03: Neighborhood Canvass 1 (Det. Hughes)
- Attachment # 04: Neighborhood Canvass 2 (Det. Hughes)
- Attachment # 05: Neighborhood Canvass Audio (Apartments on W. 8th Avenue, Columbus)
8.11.2024
- Attachment # 06: Video provided by Isaiah Good (8.11.2024)