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2024-3413  
Officer Involved Critical Incident - Bernard Park - 1105  
Bernard Ave., Findlay, OH 45840

**Investigative Activity:** ██████████ BWC Review  
**Involves:** ██████████  
**Activity Date:** 11/05/2024  
**Activity Location:** BCI Bowling Green Offices  
**Authoring Agent:** SA Joshua S. Rammel

**Narrative:**

On November 5, 2024, Special Agent (SA) Josh Rammel (Rammel) reviewed the body worn camera (BWC) footage from ██████████ of the Findlay Police Department (FPD) regarding the Officer Involved Critical Incident (OICI) that took place at 1105 Bernard Avenue, Findlay, Ohio, 45840 on October 28, 2024.

The BWC footage began at 18:36:15 on October 28, 2024, and the length of the footage is 28 minutes and 49 seconds.

The footage begins with ██████████ in his vehicle driving. The audio for the footage begins at 18:36:46.

At 18:36:50, ██████████ contacted three individuals sitting at a picnic table in the park. ██████████ advised the reason he was making contact, and multiple bottles of orange colored alcohol can be seen on the ground between a male and female.

At 18:37:08, the female pulls an orange vape pen from her sweatshirt pocket and sets it on the table at ██████████ command. The female advised that the vape pen is "just nicotine".

At 18:37:37, all three individuals confirmed that they are juveniles, and all advised that they do not have licenses.

At 18:38:31, the first juvenile male identified himself as Calvin Darapheth (Kalvin).

At 18:39:37, the juvenile female identified herself as Autumn Pickney (Pickney).

At 18:40:36, Officer Noah Burkholder (Burkholder) arrived on scene.

At 18:41:54, the third juvenile, still unidentified, informed ██████████ that he was currently on probation.

At 18:42:26, the third juvenile identified himself to Burkholder as Sam Milledge (Sam).



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At 18:43:34, Calvin attempted to contact his mother as ██████ took possession of all the alcoholic beverages before bringing them to his cruiser.

At 18:45:10, Calvin was able to reach his mother as ██████ explained to her the reason for the phone call.

At 18:45:52, ██████ informed Calvin and his mother that Calvin was going to be arrested and brought to the Findlay Police Department. Calvin's mother mentioned something about him having a warrant for his arrest before the phone call cut out.

At 18:46:30, Pickney inquired if she could be taken to the hospital instead of the police department because she needed "mental help" and that was "what's wrong with me (Pickney)". ██████ explained that first he needed to address the alcohol issue before discussing the hospital.

At 18:47:12, Calvin's mother called back and stated that the initial call had been disconnected. ██████ proceeded to inform Calvin's mother about the details of the arrest and that she could pick Calvin up from the Findlay Police Department in approximately 40 minutes.

At 18:48:16, during ██████ call with Calvin's mother, Pickney can be seen on the BWC emptying her pockets onto the picnic table for Burkholder.

At 18:48:35, Calvin is seen leaving ██████ eyesight and heard running away behind ██████. ██████ immediately begins a foot pursuit with handcuffs visible in his hand.

At 18:48:38, two (2) shots are fired as Calvin is running away. A spark is seen on ██████ BWC indicating that one of the shots came from right behind Calvin and appeared to strike the ground.

SA Ryan Emahiser (Emahiser) utilized an "Amped Replay" device to slow down the BWC footage and enhance the screen shots to clear up the BWC images as much as possible. Two screen shots were taken of the footage at the time that Calvin fired two (2) shots while attempting to run from ██████.

In the first image Calvin's arm can be seen extended backwards when the first shot occurred.

In the second image Calvin's arm can be seen behind him extended towards the ground. Sparks can be seen from a ricochet caused by Calvin's second shot striking the ground behind him as he continued to run from ██████.



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At 18:48:42, [REDACTED] returned fire as Calvin continued to run away.

Between 18:48:42 and 18:48:46, [REDACTED] fired eight (8) rounds total at Calvin as Calvin continued to run away from [REDACTED]. Calvin can be seen running into a tree line across the railroad tracks from [REDACTED].

At 18:48:51, two (2) additional shots can be heard in the distance. [REDACTED] weapon can be seen held down to his side as he is running, indicating that it was very unlikely that it was [REDACTED] firing the final two rounds.

At 18:48:56, [REDACTED] is heard telling Burkholder "I [REDACTED] don't know where he went".

At 18:48:58, Calvin can be seen in the distance on the ground as [REDACTED] gave multiple commands for Calvin to "stay the fuck down".

At 18:49:14, both [REDACTED] and Burkholder began to give multiple commands to Calvin to "throw the gun out" as Calvin is seen lying on the ground on his left side. Moans can be heard coming from Calvin.

Commands are repeated from [REDACTED] and Burkholder until 18:49:31 when Burkholder can be heard contacting dispatch and informing them that they have a "suspect who had been shot".

At 18:49:35, sirens can be heard in the distance getting louder as time proceeds.

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██████████ and Burkholder continued to walk slowly towards Calvin with their guns drawn as Calvin can be heard moaning and crying.

At 18:49:53, ██████████ informed dispatch that Calvin was bleeding profusely and that medics were needed.

At 18:50:11, ██████████ provided clear directions to dispatch as to the easiest route to where Calvin was.

At 18:50:27, ██████████ informed dispatch that Calvin had at least one gunshot wound and possibly more due to a visible head injury.

At 18:50:36, Burkholder advised that he saw that the gun was not in Calvin's possession and approached Calvin on the ground.

At 18:51:00, ██████████ began to put on gloves and started to attend to Calvin's wounds.

At 18:51:40, ██████████ informed dispatch again that Calvin had a large head wound and stated that he was beginning "life saving measures".

At 18:52:13, another cruiser arrived at ██████████ and Calvin.

At 18:53:25, an unidentified Findlay Police Officer applied a chest seal to the wound on Calvin's back on the left side before all officers assist with moving Calvin onto his back.

At 18:54:13, a second chest seal is used on a wound in Calvin's upper right chest area. Calvin can be heard moaning and gasping as he is breathing.

At 18:54:33, the unidentified officer advised that the head wound was gushing blood and directed the other officers to check Calvin's legs for additional injuries. Calvin's pants are removed for additional medical evaluations. ██████████ was asked how many shots were fired. ██████████ and Burkholder say that they do not know.

At 18:55:34, as other individuals attended Calvin, ██████████ and Burkholder located a firearm in the leaves and cleared the chamber to make the gun safe. The firearm was secured and taken into custody.

At 18:56:47, ██████████ and Burkholder are informed that the two other juveniles did not leave the scene and were still at the picnic table.

At 18:57:20, ██████████ confirmed that he was not hit by any fired shots but mentioned that Calvin fired "a couple of shots".



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At 18:58:22, Calvin is removed from the scene by medics and placed on a gurney. Additional conversations can be heard in the background that the scene needs to be "taped".

At 18:59:00, ██████████ assisted with putting crime scene tape around the area where Calvin was lying on the ground. ██████████ directed the other officers to the area where the shots took place.

At 19:01:00, while securing the scene ██████████ commented that he "hope(d) the other kids were all right".

At 19:02:05, ██████████ is told not to do anything else by a superior officer. The same officer orders another Findlay Officer to take ██████████ to the Findlay Police Department. ██████████ is instructed not to talk to anyone about the shooting.

At 19:03:43, ██████████ returned to his cruiser to set up a perimeter with it.

At 19:05:04, ██████████ is seen turning off his BWC, and the footage ended. No additional BWC related to ██████████ was taken.

**ADDITIONAL FACTORS FOR EVALUATING THE VIDEO RECORDINGS**

There are numerous other factors that need to be considered when reviewing and evaluating the videos and audio recordings of this incident. Those factors are:

A. Video recording devices record within the video and sound capabilities available, and they record objectively. Video recordings lack the history, perspective, and interest of the people involved. The positions, angles, obstacles, lighting, and distance from the incident are also factors that need serious consideration.

B. Video recording devices also record more information about a particular scene or incident than the person(s) involved in the incident can process during the critical incident. Video recording devices rarely record an event from the same perspective of the officer. It captures the action but not the perception, decision making, focus, or intent of the officer. Video recordings often miss tactile cues or other actions of a subject.

C. The speed of the incident is remarkable. The speed and complexity of rapidly evolving situation(s) that occur during use of force encounters are difficult concepts to comprehend by only watching the video.



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The footage from [REDACTED] BWC was stored by Axon on their cloud-based storage system. A link for the footage was provided to the Hancock County Prosecutors Officer (HCPO) for additional review.

The BWC footage was labeled "Reference Item A" and listed in the evidence of this investigation as a "Reference Only". See the Axon link for the full BWC details.

