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Officer-Involved Critical Incident- 1132 Ashwood Dr. S. Charleston

Investigative Activity: Neighborhood Canvass

Activity Date: 7/24/2022

Activity Location: Teakwood Dr., South Charleston, Clark County, Ohio

Authoring Agent: SA Matt Collins, #151

**Narrative:**

On Sunday, July 24, 2022, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agents Matt Collins (SA Collins) and Andrew Russell (SA Russell) conducted a neighborhood canvass in the area of Teakwood Drive, South Vienna, Clark County, Ohio. The purpose for the canvass was to identify and interview potential witnesses to the officer-involved shooting that occurred at 1130 Ashwood Dr., South Vienna, Ohio on Sunday, July 24, 2022. SA Collins, utilizing a Google map overview, placed red and yellow dots on the locations where contact was made (yellow) or attempted but unsuccessful (red). During the neighborhood canvass (west side of Teakwood Drive), SA Collins made or attempted contact with the residents at the following addresses:

**1131 Teakwood Dr-**

SA Collins attempted to make contact and there was no answer at the door. SA Collins left a business card in the door.

**1129 Teakwood Dr-**

SA Collins spoke with Nancy Kaveney. Nancy stated it was around 1130 hours, she was in her back bedroom and heard what she originally believed to be fireworks. Later around 1218 hours she received a text from a friend, who was checking on her, asking her if she was alright because there was a shooting at the trailer park. SA Collins asked Nancy if she knew who lived at the incident location address. Nancy stated she did not know the "young man" (Cole White). Nancy described having lived at her residence since 2006 and she believed White was already living there. She described White as having black bushy hair. She further described him to be "odd" or "weird." Nancy continued by stating, "He never caused any trouble. I can't explain it, he just had an odd way about him." SA Collins asked if she had seen him with any guns or any other weapons and Nancy stated no. Nancy was asked if she had any cameras and she stated no. Nancy was asked if she was aware of her home being struck by any bullets and she stated she did not know.



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**1127 Teakwood Dr-**

SA Collins attempted to make contact but there was no answer at the door. A business card was left in the door.

**1125 Teakwood Dr-**

SA Collins spoke with Dale Slusser. SA Collins explained what he was investigating and asked Dale if he had witnessed anything. Dale indicated he was inside his residence during most of the incident, but had seen law enforcement vehicles "lined-up" with their emergency lights on. Dale said he heard more than twenty (20) gunshots and he "thought it was over" until he heard more gunshots. Dale described the electricity to then go out. SA Collins asked if he had heard any yelling from anyone during the incident and he stated no. SA Collins asked Dale if he knew White. Dale said he had known him as White grew-up in the trailer park. Dale described White as "different" but passed it off as teenage years stuff until White got older and he was still "a little bit different." Dale was asked if he'd seen White with any weapons and he stated no. Dale was asked if he had any cameras on the property and he stated no. Dale said he heard, from someone on the day of the incident White had approximately thirty (30) guns. Dale could not recall where or whom he heard that from. SA Collins provided him with a business card and asked he call SA Collins if he recalled where he'd heard that information from. SA Collins also had asked about any drug activity or anything like that occurring at White's residence. Dale said he believed White used to sell marijuana, because an acquaintance of Dale's said they'd purchased marijuana from White in the past.

**1135 Teakwood Dr-**

SA Collins spoke with Dan White. Dan was initially reluctant to provide his name or any information. SA Collins asked Dan if he had any relevant information which would assist him in his investigation. Dan quickly pointed first to the northwest of his property and said, "there were cops standing over here." He then pointed to the west and said there were two or three (2-3) "standing over here." SA Collins asked if Dan had heard any yelling going on from that address and he stated no. Dan said he believed it was around 1100 hours when he heard gunshots. He further described not hearing police arrive. SA Collins asked Dan if he knew who lived at the incident location address and Dan said he did not know. Dan then stated he had seen a young man from there, walking around the trailer park but nobody else. SA Collins asked Dan how long he'd lived there and he stated he'd lived there for about six (6) years.



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**1137 Teakwood Dr-**

SA Collins spoke with Lannie "Dwayne" McCoy, Rochelle McCoy and Storm McCoy. During the conversation, Rochelle stated they had only heard the shots and were inside their trailer during most of the incident. She further stated they had already spoken with investigators about it, when she was asked about video. Rochelle stated she had videoed some portion of the incident on her phone. SAS Justin Root and SA Tyler Price happened to be coming back in the area when Rochelle identified SAS Root and SA Price as the investigators she'd spoken with. Rochelle stated the only information she had about the incident was what she recorded on her phone. While SA Collins was speaking with the McCoy's, he was told there was a subject by the name of "Ray" who knew Cole White. Ray happened to be standing across the street and came walking over. SA Collins looked at his recorder and realized it had not been recording his conversation with the McCoy's and it was then activated.

Ray, currently lives on Beachwood Drive. He stated he used to live next door to Cole White at 1134 Ashwood up until about six (6) months ago. Ray said he'd been White's neighbor for approximately sixteen, seventeen (16-17) years. Ray said a couple weeks ago he'd seen White walking around and Ray thought to himself, White was not actin' right, or "that ain't like Cole. Something's wrong with him." He said White was walking around talking to himself. Ray was asked if he had seen White with any weapons before and he stated no. Ray mentioned White had shot his mom and a deputy. SA Collins asked him if he'd just heard that and Ray stated yes. Ray said he did not know why White would want to kill his mom. Ray said, "he's gotta be nuts 'caus she was the sweetest lady." Ray was asked if anyone else lived over there. He said White had a girlfriend at one time but she'd moved out and Ray didn't know her name. Ray said he heard White had shot his boss. SA Collins asked where White worked and Ray stated he didn't know. SA Collins asked where he'd heard that information from and Ray could not name anyone specific.

**1139 Teakwood Dr-**

SA Collins spoke with Kelly McClanahan. Her husband had answered the door and advised he'd just returned home from a 12-hour shift and didn't know anything. However, upon speaking with Kelly, she said she had heard things, but did not see anything. Kelly stated it was around 1130 hours when their neighbor had come over and told her there was a shooting. Kelly described sitting in her recliner, about half asleep when the neighbor had come by. Kelly further stated, it was approximately fifteen, twenty (15-20) minutes later, she heard multiple gunshots which appeared to be coming from two different types of guns. Kelly was asked if she



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knew who lived there and she stated no. She was asked if she'd ever seen anything unusual at the incident location address and she stated no.

**1143 Teakwood Dr-**

There was no answer at this address and SA Collins was unable to leave a business card in the door.

**1145 Teakwood Dr-**

SA Collins spoke with Cameron Pierce (Pierce). Pierce was asked if he had witnessed anything and he responded by stating he was aware of an investigator speaking with his step-father (Ralph Sowers; 1135 Ashwood), who lived directly across the street from the incident location. Pierce said he was running this morning at the reservoir. Pierce said, according to Sowers, it was around 1100-1130 hours, that morning Sowers witnessed White's mother enter White's trailer and it was shortly after that, Sowers had heard gunfire. Sowers had called Pierce and told him "Cole was in some deep shit." Pierce said he then called some mutual friends, James Myers and Tyler Anderson, to see what was going on. Pierce continued stating he drove back into the trailer park and witnessed several police officers around White's trailer. Pierce said he was nearly just behind White's trailer, traveling north on Teakwood, when he heard two to three (2-3) gunshots. Pierce was preparing to go to his parent's house but Pierce's wife, who's eight months pregnant, wished for him to stay home with her.

Pierce was asked if he'd knew White. Pierce described having known White since 1999 and they grew-up together there in the trailer park. Pierce further stated, Pierce lived with his parents in the trailer directly across the street from White's. Cameron said, it was in January of 2020, White distanced himself from Pierce as well as Myers, he believed. White told Pierce, "He's going in a different direction and told me to walk my own path." Pierce said he began to "see the writing on the wall, where he's kind a getting kind a weird." Pierce said he believed Anderson may have been closer with White, but Anderson had told Pierce they stopped hanging out about six months ago. Pierce again stated he was friends with White while they were young kids, before they were allowed to cross a street, through high school and up until 2019. Pierce said he has no idea what it was that caused White to change, but White just began to distance himself from Pierce. Pierce said White attended Nightingale Montessori School. Pierce said, he understood White had some learning disabilities but knew White was gifted in some areas of learning. Pierce described White as being ahead of children his age in some subjects such as science and vocabulary. However, White would struggle with reading and writing. Pierce said he didn't know if White autistic and he didn't ask, because White was his



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friend. Pierce said White did not play sports and he described him as a tall, nerdy guy, who played Nintendo. Pierce said he had also spoken with White's uncle "Barry" who lived in the trailer park. According to Pierce, Barry said the same thing about White distancing himself from Barry and other family/friends. Pierce said it was during that period of January 2021, was the last time he had ever spoken with White, referring to text message, White blocked him on Facebook, blocked him on PlayStation, etc... SA Collins asked Pierce about what White's mother was like and he described her as a nice lady and he would still say hi to her when he'd see her in the store. SA Collins asked about White's father and Pierce said, again he'd known White since 1999 and he had never seen his father. Pierce said he was totally surprised by the events which took place that day. Pierce was asked if he knew of White taking any medication. Pierce said he did not know that but believed White was not permitted to own firearms because of his mental health status. However, Pierce knew White had a handgun at one point. Pierce continued by stating that information was all second-hand knowledge.

**Additional Information-**

SA Collins began to walk up to the door of 1133 Teakwood and a female firefighter advised she believed the resident/s were across the street on the east side of Teakwood. SA Collins crossed the street and approached a group of five or six (5-6) people, before it was just two males standing there. SA Collins established an elderly female in a wheelchair was the resident of 1133 Teakwood (See SA Russell's IR for further related to 1133 Teakwood). A male, later identified as Bill Sharpe, said the female got out of 1133 just before the fire started. SA Collins asked him where he lived and he said it was one street over, pointing to the east. Bill said he did not know the involved-subject (Cole White (White)). Bill described White as a bi-racial male, with a ponytail in his mid-20's. Bill stated he'd never met White and did not know him, other than seeing him walk around the trailer park. SA Collins introduced himself and asked Bill for his name. He originally would only give SA Collins the name, "Good Citizen." Later he said he would only tell SA Collins his name was "Bill" and that he lived on Buddy Drive. Bill was standing with another subject who gave the name Spencer. It appeared, as they spoke, they were together at the time of the incident. Bill described being on Buddy Drive when he witnessed "the cops roll in and then 5 minutes later we heard like 20 shots." SA Collins confirmed with Bill, he was east of their location (Buddy Drive) when the incident occurred because Bill stated he could hear the shots from over there (Buddy Drive area). *Neighborhood Canvas recording\_Collins\_#1*



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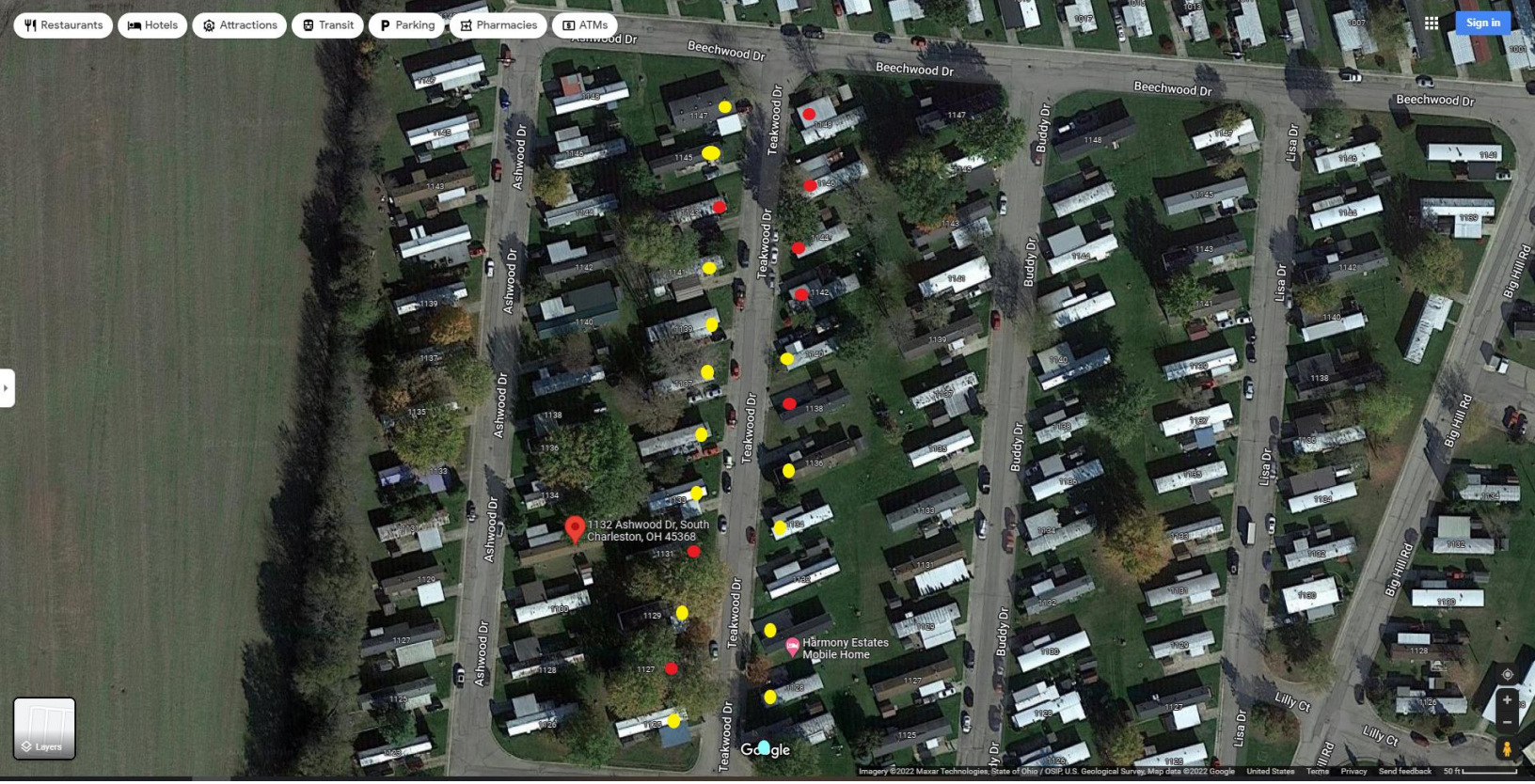
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The interviews conducted were recorded. A copy of the recordings are attached to this investigative report.

# **Exhibit 1**



Layers

Google



## **Exhibit 2**

**Included as a separate file.**

## **Exhibit 3**

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# **Exhibit 4**

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