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**Investigative Report** 

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Officer Involved Critical Incident - 500 West Hopocan, Barberton, OH 44203



**Investigative Activity:** Initial Response

**Involves:** Barberton Police Department (O)

Activity Date: December 26, 2022

**Activity Location:** 500 West Hopocan Avenue, Barberton, Ohio 44203

**Authoring Agent:** Special Agent Todd A. Clark #139

## **Narrative:**

On Monday, December 26, 2022, at 0949 hours, Ohio Bureau of Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Todd Clark (Clark) received a notification from a cell phone text message and a notification page requesting SA Clark respond to Barberton, Ohio, to the scene of an officer-involved shooting.

SA Clark responded to the YMCA (500 West Hopocan Avenue, Barberton, Ohio 44203), arriving at approximately 1100 hours. SA Clark met with SA Chuck Moran (Moran), who was on scene. SA Clark learned the incident involved officers from the Barberton Police Department (BPD). The subject involved in the incident was identified as Zachary Zoran (Zoran). SA Moran requested SA Clark contact potential witnesses to schedule interviews. SA Clark received a list of potential witnesses from the BPD.

SA Clark called the following potential witnesses and arranged for interviews to be conducted later in the day:

- Margaret Patterson
  151 Norman Avenue
  Barberton, Ohio 44203
- Sean Richards
- Tessa Jordan
  6880 Boneta Road
  Medina, Ohio 44256

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SA Clark left voicemail messages for the following potential witnesses to this incident:

- Ryan Williams
- Jonathan Dobben
- Kylie Bussey
- Menda Ramsey
- Morgan Morrisey

SA Clark located a witness on scene who was leaving the area. Arrangements were made to contact him later in the day to schedule an interview. The witness was identified as:

Charles Nicholas
 1306 Benton Road
 Barberton, Ohio 44203

SA Clark reviewed surveillance video from the YMCA which showed Zoran walked to the area where the incident occurred. SA Clark and SA Nick Valente (Valente) checked the area where Zoran was observed to walk from as he approached the YMCA. SA Clark and SA Valente were unable to identify the area where Zoran may have walked from.

SA Clark discovered mail in one of Zoran's bags which had the address of 294 Wooster Road North, Barberton, Ohio 44203. At 1238 hours, SA Clark, SA Moran, Sergeant Knorr and Detective Memmer went to 294 Wooster Road North, Barberton, Ohio 44203. The location appeared to be an abandoned building. SA Clark walked the perimeter of the building and no entry points were located. SA Clark noticed footprints near an open mailbox on the side of the building. SA Clark attempted to follow the footprints from the building, but was unable to determine the direction or location from where they originated.

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