

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



2023-2232 Officer Involved Critical Incident - 5991 S Sunbury Rd, Westerville OH 43081

Investigative Activity: Records Received

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## Narrative:

On August 24, 2023, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) was notified by Blendon Township Police Department (BTPD) of an Officer-Involved Critical Incident (OICI) which occurred in the Kroger parking lot located at 5991 South Sunbury Road in Westerville, OH. An unidentified female, who was later identified as Ta'kiya Young (Young), was confronted by BTPD officers regarding an accusation of theft from Kroger. Young reportedly attempted to flee the scene and struck a BTPD officer with her vehicle, and a BTPD officer discharged their firearm in response. Young was transported to Mount Carmel St. Ann's medical center with alleged gunshot wounds, where she was later pronounced deceased.

On August 25, 2023, an autopsy exam of Young was conducted by the Franklin County Coroner's Office, pathologist Dr. Kent Harshbarger (Dr. Harshbarger).

According to the coroner's report from the Franklin County Forensic Science Center, Young's time of death was pronounced at 1943 hours by Dr. David Painter. The place of death was documented as Mount Carmel St. Ann's Hospital, located at 500 South Cleveland Avenue in Westerville, OH.

On October 4, 2023, BCI Special Agent Mathew Austin (SA Austin) received copies of the autopsy report and coroner's report for Young from the Franklin County Coroner's Office, which were added to the case file. See actual reports for specific details.

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## Attachments:

Attachment # 01: Autopsy Report – Ta'kiya Young Attachment # 02: Coroners Report – Ta'kiya Young Attachment # 03: Toxicology Report – Ta'kiya Young

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