



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



2022-2918

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

Investigative Activity: Case Opening
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 approximately 0945 hours, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) was requested by the Barberton Police Department (BPD) to conduct an independent investigation of the facts and circumstances surrounding an officer-involved shooting which occurred in the area of 500 West Hopocan Avenue, Barberton, Ohio 44203. BCI Special Agent (SA) Todd Clark responded to assist, arriving at approximately 1100 hours. Also responding from BCI were SA Chuck Moran, SA Nick Valente and SA Charlie Snyder. Special Agent Supervisor Jon Lieber supervised the response. Additionally, the BCI Crime Scene Unit was requested to process the scene by documenting and collecting pertinent evidence.

The shooting incident occurred at approximately 0858 hours. The incident involved a subject, Zachary Zoran (Zoran), and two officers with the BPD. The incident resulted in Zoran being shot. Zoran was transported to Akron City Hospital for treatment, where he died as a result of his injuries.

BPD Chief Vincent Morber sent a formal email requesting BCI assistance at 1542 hours. A copy of the email was attached to this report for review.

Attachment:

1. 2022-12-26: Email Chief Morber Request for Assistance from BCI

From: Charles Moran [Charles.Moran@OhioAGO.gov]
To: Nicholas Valente [Nicholas.Valente@OhioAGO.gov], Todd Clark [Todd.Clark@OhioAGO.gov]
Subject: FW: Request for assistance
Sent: Tue 12/27/2022 2:50 PM GMT-05:00
Importance: Normal

From: Jonathan Lieber <Jonathan.Lieber@OhioAGO.gov>
Sent: Monday, December 26, 2022 3:45 PM
To: Charles Moran <Charles.Moran@OhioAGO.gov>
Subject: FW: Request for assistance

From: Vince Morber <VMorber@cityofbarberton.com>
Date: Monday, Dec 26, 2022 at 3:42 PM
To: Jonathan Lieber <Jonathan.Lieber@OhioAGO.gov>
Cc: Ben Knorr <BKnorr@cityofbarberton.com>, Bob Lynn <BLynn@cityofbarberton.com>
Subject: Request for assistance

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Special Agent Supervisor Lieber,

I would like to formally request Ohio BCI's assistance and investigation for the incident which occurred in the area of 500 West Hopocan Avenue on Monday, December 26, 2022 at approximately 0858 hours. The Barberton Police Department incident number for it is #202204631. Thank you for your consideration of our request and know that we will provide any and all assistance into the investigation that you ask of us.

Respectfully submitted,

Chief Vincent Morber
Barberton Police Department