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Investigative Report



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Officer Involved Critical Incident – 121 W. Perry St., Tiffin, OH,
44883 (L)

Date of Activity: 05/03/2024
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Narrative:

On May 3, 2024, Special Agent (SA) Josh Rammel (Rammel) conducted an interview with Wesley Morrow (Wesley) and Gloria Morrow (Gloria) regarding the Officer Involved Critical Incident (OICI) which occurred at 121 West Perry Street, Tiffin, Ohio, on May 3, 2024.

The interview was conducted as Wesley and Gloria set in their vehicle, identified as a Brown Buick with Ohio License KFB4870, near the location of the OICI. The interview was recorded using a digital audio recorder. A copy of the interview was attached to this investigation.

SA Rammel began the interview by identifying himself and explaining the reason for the interview. Wesley and Gloria indicated that they understood and agreed to speak with SA Rammel. Wesley and Gloria both provided basic identification information such as their dates of birth, address, and phone numbers.

Gloria advised that they had just left the dentist and were heading down Perry Street when they saw the Tiffin Police Officer activate his overhead lights and attempt to make a traffic stop. Gloria stated they pulled over as they approached the Tiffin Police cruiser, when Gloria indicated she heard a "woman screaming" and saw the officer with his hands straight out as the other driver "just dropped". Gloria mentioned the female screaming was believed to have been the individual-who-was-shot's mother.

Wesley informed SA Rammel they were not in the same location where they were during the shooting but was able to describe to SA Rammel that they were parked behind and to the passenger side of the police cruiser next to the vehicle believed to belong to the individual's mother. Wesley advised the "kid was facing the cop" and the "cop was facing the kid" as the "cop jumped back three steps" and shot the kid. Wesley further stated the cop made a statement that the kid was moving towards him "twiddling a knife" when he shot him. Wesley clarified that the kid did not have any knife, and that his hands were down by his side not holding a knife. Wesley mentioned that kid's mother was yelling that it was only a "welfare check" to the officer.

Wesley and Gloria both indicated they had their windows down but did not hear any commands directed towards the kid before he was shot. Wesley reiterated that no commands were given. Wesley told SA Rammel that the kid never lunged or ran towards the cop, and the

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cop could have used a "taser" or "laser" instead of using his gun. Wesley and Gloria both commented that they could see everything perfectly.

Wesley and Gloria both mentioned they did not know what happened to the kid's mother, but they believe she went to the hospital with the kid after he was shot. Gloria again proceeded to talk about how the cop could have used his "laser" and both mentioned that the officer "should" have used commands.

Neither Gloria or Wesley knew the officer involved or the individual that was shot.

Wesley and Gloria both indicated they do not believe they had any additional information at this time, but agreed to contact SA Rammel in the event they have additional questions or concerns.

SA Rammel provided his contact information, and the interview was concluded as Wesley and Gloria were permitted to leave the scene.

This report only summarizes the information deemed by the author to be of the most relevance to the investigation and does not purport to contain all questions and answers from the interview. Further, this report was placed in a chronology to aid the reader's overall understanding of the information elicited during the interview and may not be reflective of the actual sequencing of questions. It is suggested that the full recording be reviewed to clarify any content or contextual questions regarding the information from the interview.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: wesley and gloria morrow 2024-05-03