



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



2022-1726

Officer Involved Critical Incident – 15266 Gilchrist Rd., Mt.  
Vernon (L)

**Investigative Activity:** Neighborhood Canvass  
**Date of Activity:** 08/25/2022  
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**Narrative:**

On Thursday, August 25, 2022, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agents (SA) John Tingley (Tingley) and Arvin Clar (Clar) conducted a neighborhood canvass in the area of 15159 Monroe Mills Road, Mt. Vernon, Knox County, Ohio. The purpose of the canvass was to identify and interview potential witnesses to the Officer-Involved Critical Incident shooting that occurred on Saturday, August 20, 2022. The following is a synopsis of the interviews and questions answered and is not a word for word translation of the interview or answers. During the canvass, SA Tingley and SA Clar made or attempted contact with the residents of the following addresses:

15359 Monroe Mills Road, Mt. Vernon, Ohio

At approximately 0925 an attempt to contact a resident at this address was attempted. However, there was no answer at the door. Accordingly, SA Tingley left a door hanger with his contact information including phone number on the side door to the residence.

On August 25, 2022 at approximately 1616 hours, Jarrod Belton (Belton), the resident at 15359 Monroe Mills Road, contacted SA Tingley by phone. Belton advised that he left his residence on Saturday, August 20, 2022, at about 0745 hours and did not return until about 1630 hours. Upon being asked, Belton advised that he did not hear or see anything regarding the Officer-Involved Critical Incident shooting. This interview was then concluded. This interview was not audio recorded.

15301 Monroe Mills Road, Mt. Vernon, Ohio

On August 25, 2022, at approximately 0944 hours, SA Tingley contacted Ellen Leslie (Leslie). Leslie advised that she was at home during the Officer-Involved Critical Incident shooting. She stated that when she received the alert over the telephone, she had moved into the bedroom and began watching television. Leslie further advised that when she heard shots, she came into the living room. Once there, she looked out a window towards Randy Wilhelm's (Wilhelm) residence on Monroe Mills Road. She observed one of the garage doors at Wilhelm's residence go up and an ATV exit the garage and begin heading towards Wilhelm's mother's residence

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(located at 15266 Gilchrist Road, Mt. Vernon, Ohio). Leslie continued by stating that once the ATV was gone, she quit looking. Leslie stated that she then heard an unknown number of shots a short time later. SA Tingley asked Leslie how many rounds she heard during the first round of gunfire and she responded "Three". The interview was then concluded. This interview was audio recorded and is attached to this report.

21040 Floralwood Drive, Mt. Vernon, Ohio

At approximately 0955 hours, an attempt to contact a resident at this address was attempted. However, there was no answer at the door. Accordingly, SA Tingley left a door hanger with his contact information including contact phone number on the front door to the residence.

21070 Floralwood Drive, Mt. Vernon, Ohio

On August 25, 2022, at approximately 1000 hours, SA Tingley contacted Philip Carr and Beth Carr at this residence. Both of the following interviews were audio recorded and both are attached to this report.

SA Tingley began by interviewing Philip Carr. Philip Carr advised that on the Saturday of the Officer-Involved Critical Incident shooting, he heard a helicopter flying overhead. He looked out a window and saw a marked law enforcement vehicle stationary in the roadway south of the driveway leading to Wilhelm's residence on Monroe Mills Road. Philip Carr then advised that since a tree was blocking his view from the dining room, he moved to the bathroom to get a better look. Once there, he heard an unknown number of gunshots and an armored law enforcement vehicle in the driveway. He then observed the armored vehicle backing down the driveway towards Monroe Mills Road. Once at the road, the vehicle turned sideways and he saw that there were bullet strikes in both front windows of the armored vehicle. He then observed a sniper laying near the front passenger side tire of the armored vehicle. He also observed that the right garage door at Randy Wilhelm's house was up. SA Tingley then asked if he heard or saw anything else to which Philip Carr replied "No". The interview was then concluded. This interview was recorded and is attached to this report.

At approximately 1013 hours, SA Tingley interviewed Beth Carr. Beth Carr advised that she was outside and saw a helicopter circling the area at about 0730 but went back into her house without noticing anything else. She stated that she heard the alert over her phone but did not look at the message. Once she did look at the message, she started looking out the dining room window but did not initially see anything. Beth Carr stated that she then observed the Marysville Police Department armored vehicle going up the driveway towards Randy Wilhelm's residence. A few moments later, she heard two (2) gunshots, a short pause, and then more gunfire. She then saw the armored vehicle backing slowly back down the driveway towards Monroe Mills Road. Beth Carr then stated that she observed the armored vehicle parked in the roadway with a sniper lying on the ground and the other SWAT team members standing behind the armored vehicle. SA Tingley asked if she had heard any other gunshots after the initial shots she heard and Beth Carr advised that she did not. The interview was then concluded. This interview was recorded and is attached to this report.

998 Country Club Drive, Mt. Vernon, Ohio.

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At approximately 1033 hours, an attempt to contact a resident at this address was attempted. However, there was no answer at the door. Accordingly, SA Tingley left a door hanger with his contact information including contact phone number on the side door to the residence.

994 Country Club Drive, Mt. Vernon, Ohio

At approximately 1038 hours, an attempt to contact a resident at this address was attempted. However, there was no answer at the door. Accordingly, SA Tingley left a door hanger with his contact information including contact phone number on the side door to the residence.

15104 Monroe Mills Road, Mt. Vernon, Ohio

At approximately 1043 hours, an attempt to contact a resident at this address was attempted. However, there was no answer at the door. Accordingly, SA Tingley left a door hanger with his contact information including contact phone number on the side door to the residence.

On Tuesday, August 30, 2022, at approximately 1651 hours, the resident at this address, Rob Stanley (Stanley), contacted SA Tingley by phone. Stanley advised that he was at home on the date of the officer-involved criminal incident shooting, but that he did not hear or see anything regarding the incident. The interview was then concluded. This interview was not recorded.

**Attachments:**

Attachment # 01: 2022-1726 WITNESS ELLEN LESLIE INTERVIEW

Attachment # 02: 2022-1726 WITNESS PHILIP CARR INTERVIEW

Attachment # 03: 2022-1726 WITNESS BETH CARR INTERVIEW

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