



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



2025-3488
Officer Involved Critical Incident - 371 SR 180, Chillicothe,
OH 45601 (L)

Investigative Activity: Neighborhood Canvass
Involves: Bryan Rothe
Activity Date: 10/26/2025
Activity Location: 371 SR 180, Chillicothe, OH 45601
Authoring Agent: SA Joshua Schlie

Narrative:

On Sunday, October 26, 2025, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent Joshua Schlie conducted a neighborhood canvass in the area of 371 SR 180, Chillicothe, Ohio. The purpose for the canvass was to identify and interview potential witnesses to the officer-involved critical incident that occurred at 371 SR 180, Chillicothe, Ohio on Sunday, October 26, 2025. During the neighborhood canvass, Special Agent Joshua Schlie made or attempted contact with the residents at the following addresses:

442 SR180, Chillicothe, OH

SA Schlie made contact with Roy Wittbecker, cell # [REDACTED] Mr. Wittbecker reported that he heard gunshots earlier in the evening and observed police and medical/fire vehicles outside but did not witness any activity leading up to the shooting or the shooting itself. Mt. Wittbekcer moved to the area approximately 4 months prior and only knew his neighbor at 464 SR 180. Mr. Wittbecker did not have any security cameras at his residence.

464 SR 180, Chillicothe, OH

SA Schlie made contact with Deena Schadle, cell# [REDACTED] Mrs. Schadle arrived home at 5:30 PM and did not observe or hear any activity. Mrs. Schadle has no security cameras at her residence

478 SR 180, Chillicothe, OH

SA Schlie made contact with Cindy and Roman Smith, cell# [REDACTED] They had not been home at the time of the incident and did not hear or see any activity. They have no security cameras at their residence.

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SA Schlie made contact with Tricia Skinner, phone# [REDACTED]. Mrs. Skinner reported that she had heard gunfire on the morning of October 27, 2025, before church, before 9:00 AM. She reported that gunfire was not uncommon. Mrs. Skinner did not hear or observe any gunfire related to this investigation. Mrs. Skinner does have a ring camera, which faces away from the incident and did not alert or detect activity related to this investigation.

Nothing further.

Attachments:

None

References:

None

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