



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



2026-2171

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 9093 Zinnia Court, Apt
1209, West Chester, Ohio 45069 (L)

Investigative Activity: Neighborhood Canvass
Involves: Neighborhood Canvass
Activity Date: 06/05/2026
Activity Location: Zinnia Court, West Chester, Ohio
Authoring Agent: SA Rachel Phelps

Narrative:

On Friday, June 05, 2026, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agents Rachel Phelps (SA Phelps) conducted a neighborhood canvass in the area of Zinnia Court and Magnolia Lane, West Chester, Ohio. The purpose for the canvass was to identify and interview potential witnesses to the officer-involved critical incident that occurred at 9093 Zinnia Court Apartment 1209, Ohio on Thursday, June 04, 2026. During the neighborhood canvass, SA Phelps made or attempted contact with the residents at the following addresses:

9093 Zinnia Court Unit 1208

SA Phelps spoke with Richard Fairfield (Fairfield), 911 caller, who advised he had just gotten into bed when he heard bangs against the wall and thumping sounds. His bedroom wall connects to the wall of the stairwell on apartment 1209. He could hear a female stating "no" and screaming "stop". He described the female as screaming her head off. Fairfield stated at one point he heard what sounded like someone rolling down the steps because of the thumping and then the female stopped yelling stop. Fairfield said about thirty seconds into the noise, he called 911 at 2155 hours. He continued that the noise stopped about one minute before police arrived. Once the police arrived, Fairfield went out on his balcony that faces Zinnia Court and saw the officers knocking and attempting to speak with the male and female inside apartment 1209. Fairfield stated he believed the male went to the door, talked to the officers and then slammed the door. The officer asked Fairfield to go back into his apartment and listen to see if he could hear the male and female anymore. Fairfield stated he could only hear muffled voices. Fairfield stated the officers spoke with the male and female over the phone while they were outside of the apartment. Fairfield heard the officers telling the female, over the phone that they wished to speak with her and look at her, and she told them she was fine. Fairfield said at this point the officers got the ram, knocked the door open and went inside. Once the officers were inside, Fairfield heard

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talking and then one gunshot. The officers escorted the female outside and Fairfield could hear her thanking the officers, stating they saved her life, and that the male was going to kill her. Fairfield stated at one point he heard the female tell the officers to go back inside and shoot him again.

9093 Zinnia Court Unit 1219

Dylan Bitzer (Bitzer) is the courtesy officer for the apartment complex and had received a call that there were police cruisers on Zinnia Court. Bitzer went out to the street and saw the officers at apartment 1209. Bitzer saw them with a ram and asked if they needed into the apartment. Officers asked if he had a key and Bitzer advised he could contact the property manager. When Bitzer went back to his garage, he heard the officers using the ram to enter the apartment. He saw the officers enter with their firearms drawn. By the time he came back out of his apartment and garage, the female was already outside the apartment with officers. Bitzer heard the female thanking the officers for saving her life.

9093 Zinnia Court Unit 1211

Miranji Sansara (Sansara) was moving out of apartment 1211 and was present with Akansha Saindane (Saindane). They had returned around 2200 hours. They heard a women screaming, loud banging and saw the police cars. They confirmed the police vehicles were already on Zinnia Court when they arrived. They stated they heard them talking to someone on the phone. They were not sure if the bangs were from them hitting the door or gunshots. The female stated, when the female in apartment 1209 came out she could tell her face was bruised and swollen. She continued that the officers were consoling the female.

9093 Zinnia Court Unit 1213

Carson Whittamore stated around 2215 or 2220 he heard what sounded like somebody running up the stairs to his apartment.

9093 Zinnia Court Unit 1215

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Spoke with Seth (LNU) who advised he left his apartment around 1015 and saw police cruisers at Zinnia Court and Magnolia Lane.

9079 Magnolia Lane Unit 1306

Maria Lee (Lee) stated she was not home at the time of the incident and her doorbell camera was not working. Lee mentioned that a couple months ago another female resident told her she heard yelling coming from the same building of apartment 1209 but did not know which apartment the yelling was coming from.

The interviews conducted were audio recorded. All recordings were uploaded and stored in Axon.

References:

- A. BCI- Audio Interviews on Axon

Attachments:

None

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