

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



2024-1513

Officer Involved Critical Incident – 6382 Georges Creek Drive, Columbus, OH 43110 (L)

Investigative Activity: Neighborhood Canvass

Date of Activity: 05/16/2024

Activity Location: Scene – 3682 Georges Creek Road, Canal Winchester, OH 43110

Author: SA Brady Curry, #72

Narrative:

On May 16, 2024, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) was requested to respond to an Officer-Involved Critical Incident (OICI) at 6382 Georges Creek Drive in Columbus, OH. It was initially reported shots were fired by an officer from the Columbus Division of Police (CPD) while responding to a domestic disturbance involving an individual reported to be in possession of a firearm at this location, and an involved individual identified as Rafael Warfield was pronounced deceased on scene.

In response to the incident, several agents from BCI canvassed the area to obtain information and statements from potential witnesses. BCI Special Agent Brady Curry (SA Curry) collected information obtained during the canvass. Notes and statements received by SA Curry were reviewed and the following information concerning potential witnesses was noted.

5000 Building Amos Lynch Rd

- 5060 Amos Lynch
 - Dwaun Mitchell (Mitchell) DOB: 8/9/1962
 - Mitchell advised she woke up and walked outside to talk with a neighbor. Mitchell was asleep when the incident took place. Mitchell did not hear or see anything prior or during the incident.
- 5058 Amos Lynch
 - Abdul Tokhi
 - Usam Hidair
 - Did not see or hear anything
- 5056 Amos Lynch
 - Anita Smith DOB: 4/4/60
 - Smith advised she heard some gun shots, but did not see anything prior or during the incident.
- 5054 Amos Lynch
 - Malik (would not provide any more information)

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- Malik advised he did not hear or see anything, he was asleep.
- 5052 Amos Lynch
 - Unoccupied
- 5050 Amos Lynch
 - John Morgan DOB: 3/25/1979
 - Did not hear or see anything

6300 Building James Rouse Rd:

- 6390 James Rouse
 - Tashyra Norvell, Erica Cantrelm
 - Erica stated she heard gunshots around 0430 hours. Erica stated she looked out of the window and observed two males running into a residence after the shots. Erica did not observe anything additional.
- 6392 James Rouse
 - Negative Contact
- 6394 James Rouse
 - Negative Contact
- 6396 James Rouse
 - Marleah Wesleah (Marleah)
 - Marleah advised she heard the gunshots and then heard sirens. Marleah stated she did not look outside. Marleah advised her sister, Candace Balckmon (Blackmon), lives on Georges Creek Rd. which is right next to the incident location. Marleah advised she was on the phone with Blackmon when the shooting took place. Marleah called Candace on the phone. Candace advised there was a man outside and a female. The man and woman were arguing and was getting louder. Candace stated the man was throwing up, say "I don't give a fuck, fuck yall". The man was also puking, appeared to be drunk. Candace stated a short time later, she heard gunshots and the police yelling at someone. Candace furthered, prior to the shooting, her 12 year old daughter, Genesis ran outside to see if he was okay. Genesis did not have any contact with the male, but described him to be angry, drunk and in an argument with a female.
 - SA Curry and SA Matt Collins (SA Collins) conducted an additional, inperson interview with Candace and Genesis at their residence 6335 Georges Creek Rd. Nothing significantly different was obtained. This interview was recorded on a separate recording. "Genesis Wesley & Candace Blackmon Interview"
- 6398 James Rouse
 - Donna
 - Did not hear or see anything
- 6400 James Rouse
 - Moses Almond & Tracey Hines
 - Both heard gun shots, did not see anything

5000 Building Amos Lynch

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- 5085 Amos Lynch
 - Did not hear or see anything
- 5081 Amos Lynch
 - Jalisa Strother (Strother)
 - DOB: 7/15/1991
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 - Strother had noticeable cameras on the outside of her residence. SA Curry asked if there was any video footage that observed the incident. Strother advised she looked and there was not.
 - Strother stated she heard arguing outside and then went outside to see what was going on. Strother stated as she was walking out, Officers started shooting at the deceased. Strother stated she did not see the person that was shot prior to the shooting. Strother stated she heard the officers yelling at person to get down, after the shooting.

6400 Building Georges Creek Road

- 6402 Georges Creek Rd
 - See SA Kyle Douglas' IR for details regarding this interview
- 6404 Georges Creek Rd
 - Negative Contact
- 6406 Georges Creek Rd
 - Negative Contact
- 6408 Georges Creek Rd
 - Resident stated he heard some arguing and saw a white car. The white car did
 not come back out the way it came in. Resident stated he saw a girl with a
 white sports bra go back in the house. Resident heard several gunshots.
 Resident could not hear what they were arguing about. Resident did not
 observe anything else.
- 6410 Georges Creek Rd
 - Negative Contact

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: Jalisa Strother Interview

Attachment # 02: 6400 Georges Creek Rd Canvass

Attachment # 03: 6390-6400 James Crouse Rd Canvass Attachment # 04: 5050-60 Amos Lynch Rd Canvass

Attachment # 05: Genesis Wesley & Candace Blackmon Interview

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