

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



2024-3258

Officer Involved Critical Incident - 1273 Rosedale Drive, Dayton, OH (Montgomery Co.) (L)

Investigative Activity: Video Review

Involves: Taylor Coleman Anthony Cotton (S)

Date of Activity: 10/29/2024

Activity Location: Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation – 1560 SR 56 SW, London,

OH 43140

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Narrative:

Officer Flory's Body-Worn Camera Footage:

- Officer Flory was behind shots were fired.
- Officer Flory's footage did not capture the involved subject's actions immediately prior to the shooting.
- While officers were rendering medical aid to the involved subject, Officer Flory put on orange gloves and put pressure on a wound on the subject's right side.
- At approximately 0914 hours, according to the timestamp, a male voice can be heard saying, "It's agonal." A medic is seen arriving with a LUCAS machine. A female voice can be heard saying, "We've been doing chest compressions. He's got agonal breathing. Very, very low pulse." (38:51)

Officer K. Urekar's Body-Worn Camera Footage:

- Officer K. Urekar arrived at approximately 0837 hours, according to the timestamp, and parked her cruiser on Rosedale Drive, several houses south of 1273 Rosedale Drive.
- Officer K. Urekar moved her cruiser and made announcements over a loudspeaker. She can be heard saying, "Occupants of 1273 Rosedale Drive, this is the Dayton Police. Come out. Occupants of 1273 Rosedale Drive, this is the Dayton Police. Come out. Show us your hands. Come out please with nothing in your hands. Come on out. (03:31).
- Officer K. Urekar exits her cruiser, which was then parked one house south of 1273 Rosedale Drive. A blue sedan can be seen in front of Officer K. Urekar's cruiser.
- Officer K. Urekar conversed with a female on the sidewalk. The female can be heard

- saying, "Him the one. Him the one who said he is gonna have a shootout with y'all." Officer K. Urekar asked where "he" was, at which point a tan sedan can be seen north of them, turning right onto Access Road. The female said that "he" was in the tan vehicle. (05:55)
- The tan vehicle stopped on Access Road. The driver's door opened, and Officer K. Urekar can be heard yelling, "Show us your hands. Show us your hands. Show us your hands, now. Stop reaching! Put it down. He's got a rifle." She yelled several times at the subject to drop it. (06:10)
- Officer K. Urekar took cover with (and later other officers) behind a blue vehicle parked on Rosedale Drive.
- At approximately 0859 hours, according to the timestamp, Officer K. Urekar holstered her pistol and is then seen holding a Pepperball launcher.
- Gunfire can be heard at approximately 0909 hours, according to the timestamp. The footage did not capture the involved subject's actions immediately prior to the shooting.
- After the shots were fired, Officer K. Urekar, along with other officers, approached the involved subject. She grabbed the subject's right arm and assisted other officers with rolling the subject onto his back for medical aid. At approximately 0912 hours, according to the timestamp, chest compressions began.

Axon Body 4 Video 2024-10-19 0843 D01A2598T:

- An unknown officer arrives on Amberly Drive at approximately 0849 hours, according to the timestamp. The officer approached a male subject in the roadway, who said, "That's my brother," presumably talking about the subject police had encountered. The subject got into a black Chevrolet Impala bearing Ohio registration HPZ6801. As the subject was driving away, he stated that the gun was not loaded. (11:05)
- The footage did not capture the involved subject's actions immediately prior to the shooting.

Officer Kloos' Body-Worn Camera Footage:

- Officer Kloos arrived at approximately 0845 hours, according to the timestamp. He parked his cruiser on Rosedale Drive near Yale Drive.
- Officer Kloos spoke with the involved subject's mother. She identified the involved subject as her son, Taylor Cotton. She stated that her son had mental health issues. (6:00)
- The involved subject's father stated, "He don't even have bullets in that gun." He then said something to the effect of, "Well, I can't say that." (7:17)
- At 0859 hours, according to the timestamp, Officer Kloos walked toward the officers taking cover behind the blue car. He provided Officer K. Urekar with a Pepperball launcher.
- At the time the shots were fired, Officer Kloos was crouched down near the front fender of the blue car. Due to the positioning of the body-worn camera, no additional detail was gleaned. (27:15)
- After the OICI, Officer Kloos assisted with placing crime scene tape.

Axon Body 4 Video 2024-10-19 0843 D01A2936V:

- An unknown officer arrived at the Recreation Center at approximately 0856 hours, according to the timestamp. He advised an employee about the situation. He remained stationed at the Recreation Center for the remainder of the incident.
- The footage did not capture the involved subject's actions prior to the shooting.

Officer Page's Body-Worn Camera Footage:

- Officer Page arrived at the scene at approximately 0845 hours, according to the timestamp. He parked on Rosedale Drive near Yale Avenue and retrieved his patrol rifle.
- Officer Page took cover behind a Dayton police cruiser (Dodge Charger), which was parked south of the blue car other officers took cover beside.
- Officer Page moved to a Dayton police cruiser (Ford Explorer), which was parked behind the cruiser he had initially taken cover behind. There, he spoke with Dayton Police Lieutenant David Matthews. As he was speaking with Lieutenant Matthews, gunfire can be heard.
- Officer Page's footage did not capture the involved subject's actions immediately prior to the shooting.
- At approximately 0920 hours, according to the timestamp, a plain clothes officer (presumably from Kettering) asked Officer Page if he could show a Kettering police trainee the scene. Officer Page advised that they could walk through the scene but told them to stay on the east side of the roadway to avoid casings. (37:45)
- Lieutenant Matthews advised Officer Page to create an inner perimeter and to get officers out of the scene. (38:30)
- Officer Page blocked the area off with crime scene tape.

Officer B. Johnson's Body-Worn Camera Footage:

- Officer Johnson arrived at 0850 hours, according to the timestamp, and parked Amberly Drive.
- Officer Johnson took cover behind a tree on Amberly Drive near Rosedale Drive for the majority of the incident.
- Officer Johnson's footage did not capture the involved subject's actions immediately prior to the shooting.
- After the shots were fired, Officer Johnson moved up to the scene with another officer.
- At approximately 0913 hours, according to the timestamp, Officer Johnson moved a Kettering police cruiser that was parked on Amberly Drive and blocking a medic from entering the area. (38:45)
- Officer Johnson is instructed by Lt. Matthews to stay with the involved subject's gun. (37:14)
- At approximately 0921 hours, according to the timestamp, the medic departed the scene with the involved subject.
- Officer Johnson remained with the subject's gun for the remainder of the footage.

Sqt. Savage Body-Worn Camera Footage:

- Sgt. Savage was standing behind a marked Dayton Police cruiser (Ford Explorer) at the time the shots were fired. He was standing near Lieutenant Matthews and Officer Page. His footage did not capture the involved subject's actions immediately prior to the shooting.
- After the shooting, Sgt. Savage spoke with the involved officers and took notes as to the type of weapon they discharged and an approximate number of rounds they fired.

Axon Body 4 Video 2024-10-19 0911 D01A2598T:

• The footage began at approximately 0910 hours, after the OICI occurred. An upset female subject screamed, "You killed my brother!" She handed her phone to the officer, who identified himself as Officer Sharp. The female subject identified herself as Jasmine. Officer Sharp advised the person on the phone that he was on Chadwick Drive near Rosedale Drive.

Axon Body 4 Video 2024–10–19 0923 D01A2122T:

• An officer arrived at the parking lot of the Recreation Center and met with a subject who identified himself as Jerray Cotton. The subject stated that the involved subject was his brother, Taylor Cotton. He stated that Taylor was probably not taking his medication because that is the only time he has "episodes." Jerray further stated that approximately two or three years ago, Taylor's mental health issues manifested when Taylor was smoking with a friend and "they laced his weed."

Axon Body 4 Video 2024-10-19 0930 D01A2554W:

• The footage began after the OICI. The officer in this video handled the crime scene log.

Axon Body 4 2024–10–19 0951 D01A255W:

 The officer wearing the body-worn camera conversed with Officer Johnson, who was guarding the involved subjects weapon after the OICI. Officer Johnson told the officer that the involved subject got out of the car and "shouldered the weapon." He further said the involved subject was "trying to swing it towards everybody." Officer Johnson told the officer that he observed the incident from Amberly Drive.

Axon Body 4 2024–10–19 10002 D01A2295V [Officer B Johnson]:

• At 1018 hours, Officer Johnson was requested by a supervisor to turn the vehicle ignition off. He put on a pair of gloves and walked over to the involved subject's vehicle. He then reached through the driver's door and turned off the ignition. (1700)