

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



2022–2888 Officer Involved Critical Incident – 1010 Wapakoneta Ave., Sidney, OH 45365 (L)

Investigative Activity:	Interview with Witness
Involves:	Mary A Swank (W)
Date of Activity:	12/21/2022
Activity Location:	Sidney Police Department – Business – 201 West Poplar Street, Sidney, OH 45365
Author:	SA Christopher Hamberg, #69

Narrative:

On December 21, 2022, the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) was requested to investigate the facts and circumstances surrounding an Officer–Involved Critical Incident (OICI) that occurred at Sidney Foodtown, located at 1010 Wapakoneta Avenue, Sidney, Shelby County, Ohio. The OICI occurred when Sidney police officers encountered Todd I. Jordan (Jordan), who was armed with a gun inside Sidney Foodtown.

On December 21, 2022, at approximately 1120 hours, BCI Special Agent Chris Hamberg (SA Hamberg) interviewed Mary Swank (Swank) in an interview room at the Sidney Police Department. The interview was digitally recorded. The audio file is attached to the case file.

The purpose of the interview was to ascertain what Swank may have witnessed at the Foodtown grocery store in regard to the OICI incident.

SA Hamberg asked Swank if she worked for Foodtown when Swank stated no, she worked for the Salvation Army. [It should be noted that Swank was handicapped and was in a Hoveround (motorized wheelchair)]. Swank stated she arrived at Foodtown at approximately 0800 hours and was in the process of "ringing the bell" when she overheard a store employee yelling there was a shooter at the store. Swank stated she made her way to the back of the store and took "shelter" in a back office. Swank added she heard approximately four (4) for five (5) gunshots going off inside the store. Swank added that she stayed inside the back office until the police arrived, which was approximately twenty-five (25) minutes later.

SA Hamberg asked Swank if she observed the person that had the gun. Swank stated she did not see the person that had the gun. SA Hamberg asked Swank if anyone else was in the back office with her, when Swank stated no, she was by herself. SA Hamberg asked Swank if she called 911 or had recorded any of the events with her cell phone, when Swank advised no.

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Swank had nothing further to provide on the incident.

This report only summarizes the information deemed by the author to be of the most relevance to the investigation and does not purport to contain all questions and answers from the audio recording. Further, this report was placed in a chronology to aid the reader's overall understanding of the information elicited during the interview and may not be reflective of the actual sequencing of questions or responses. It is suggested that the reader refer to the audio recording in its entirety.

Attachments:

Attachment # 01: 2022-12-21 / Interview of Mary Swank

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Exhibit 1

Included as a separate file.