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Officer Involved Critical Incident - 5991 S Sunbury Rd, Westerville OH
43081

Investigative Activity: Interview with Witness

Involves: Roslyn Young

Activity Date: 9/15/2023

Activity Location: Kroger located at 5991 S. Sunbury Road, Westerville, OH 43081

Authoring Agent: Special Agent Chad Holcomb, #61

Narrative:

On Friday, September 15, 2023 at 1229 hours, Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) Special Agent (SA) Chad Holcomb (SA Holcomb) and SA Matt Collins (SA Collins) interviewed Roslyn Young (Young), relative to the officer-involved shooting which took place on Thursday, August 24, 2023. The interview took place at Kroger on South Sunbury Road. Also present during the interview was her sister, Jaylyn Young. The purpose of the interview was to obtain all relevant information of the incident known or observed by this individual.

Young stated that she has seen the Blendon Twp. PD body camera footage. SA Collins confirmed that Young's statement was based on what she remembers from the incident and was not based on what she saw from the BWC video. Young confirmed that her statement was what she remembered from the incident and not from what she saw on the BWC video. Young stated that she did not know the involved individual, Ta'kiya Young (Ta'kiya) prior to this incident. Her name has been used in the report for clarity purposes.

Young stated that she had come to Kroger to visit her sister, Jaylyn, who works at Kroger at the front desk. She followed her sister towards self-checkout near the pharmacy when an employee told Jaylyn that someone had walked out of the store with liquor. The alarms on the door started going off but Young didn't see who walked out of the store.

Young stated that her sister went running outside and she followed her sister. Young said that she was standing on the front sidewalk, outside of the doors, by the self-checkout and near the pharmacy trying to see where her sister was at. She saw two police officers, one standing in front of the car and another officer standing next to a car, knocking, asking and yelling at Ta'kiya Young (Ta'kiya) to exit and stop the vehicle. The officers give multiple loud commands for Ta'kiya to stop and exit the vehicle.

Young states that the thing she remembers the most about the event was a little kid trying to cross the street. The child was pushing a cart and walking right towards where Young was standing. Young heard Ta'kiya start the engine and hit the gas and at the time she believed the

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kid was approximately halfway across the intersection. Her biggest concern was Ta'kiya hitting the kid.

Young heard the shot go off and looked back over to the car and saw that Ta'kiya had left the parking spot. Young did not know who fired the shot because she was watching the kid cross the street. Never hearing a gunshot before, Young didn't realize it was a gunshot until the officers yelled 'shots fired'. Young had initially thought that Ta'kiya had hit something in the parking lot.

Young stated that after the gunshot had occurred, the kid realized what was going on and ran back to her mother. The kid had made it almost all the way across the street and was almost to where she was standing near the entrance. Young then went back into the store looking for her sister, Jaylyn; who was found running through the store screaming. Young stated, "Through all of it, my biggest concern was like, oh my gosh, what if she hits that kid. Because if that kid had not become aware of what was going on, she would've been likely been in the direct path." Young stated that after she watched the BWC video, she saw the kid being a lot closer to the vehicle than she remembered.

Young said that she did not know who the two officers were and that she has never had any interaction with them. She also stated, she did not know who the three females were. Young said that she worked at Kroger and in the liquor store from March 13, 2020 to September 11, 2022. She continued to say, "As soon as they had walked out I knew who they were because people were talking about they were apparently regulars who stole all the time. From that liquor store." Young stated that the group of girls would come into the liquor store often. When Young worked at the Kroger Liquor store, she never interacted with that particular group of females, but she was informed of the females when she was being trained.

Young was asked what kind of features can identify them as the same people. Young stated that they had a routine and it would always be the same things that they would steal. She couldn't remember the brand but described the bottles as darker, in a square bottle and were more expensive. Young believed it to be Anejo Tequila. The bottles were always in the same spot and would sell out pretty quick. It was typically three females but they would sometimes come in as pairs but not typically at the same time as each other.

Young said that Kroger employees are not allowed to accuse people of stealing and that there are steps that an employee has to take when it comes to someone stealing.

The interview concluded at approximately 1247 hours.

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The interview was audio recorded. The recording is attached to this report. Please see the attachment for further details.