Statement on officer-involved shooting

On Thursday, July 18, 2019, the West Patrol Operations Division was conducting a gun violence reduction blitz, which began around 10 a.m.

During the operation, officers spotted a vehicle that had equipment and license violations and attempted to stop it. That vehicle fled from officers and was then monitored by an Ohio State Highway Patrol aviation unit from the air. The aviation unit relayed the location of the suspect vehicle to crews on the ground.

Around 12:34 p.m., the suspect vehicle pulled into the Georgetown Village apartment complex parking lot on Kosmo Drive, off of Williams Street. The driver of the suspect vehicle then got into a red car, which unmarked Dayton Police crews blocked in, not allowing it to exit the apartment complex. The passenger of the red car got out with a gun in his hand and ran.

A foot pursuit ensued, in which three Dayton officers fired at least one shot. The suspect was struck at least once. The officers then rendered aid to the man, before an ambulance took him to Miami Valley Hospital, where he received treatment and is now recovering from his injuries. Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office personnel did recover a weapon at the scene.

Because one of the officers who fired his service weapon is a Dayton Police homicide detective and that is the unit assigned to handle officer-involved shootings, the Dayton Police Department has asked the Montgomery County Sheriff’s Office to handle the criminal portion of the investigation. The Dayton Police Department Professional Standards Bureau will handle the administrative investigation, as is usual protocol. The three officers involved are on administrative leave, per department policy.