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**COPA PROVIDES UPDATE ON FATAL OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING NEAR 2400 S. SAWYER**

On March 29, 2021 the Civilian Office of Police Accountability (COPA) received notification from the Chicago Police Department of an officer-involved shooting near 2400 S. Sawyer. COPA investigators arrived at the scene and immediately commenced an investigation.

While COPA is in the very early stages of this investigation, it has been determined that officers were responding to the area as a result of shots fired and encountered two suspects. Both individuals fled resulting in a foot pursuit by Chicago Police Department officers. One male was apprehended and remains in police custody. The other individual who fled was shot and killed by the pursuing officer. The involved officer discharged his weapon once and the incident has been captured on body worn camera. The deceased individual has been identified as, Adam Toledo, who is reportedly 13 years of age.

Due to the age of the victim, absent the issuance of a court order and pursuant to the Juvenile Court Act (705 ILCS 405/5-905(5)), COPA is prevented from publicly releasing videos involving a juvenile. Materials that can be released including 911 calls, OEMC transmissions, Tactical Response and Incident Reports will be released within 60 days of the incident and in accordance with the City's Video Release Policy.

COPA's is committed to a full and thorough investigation into the officer's use of deadly force to determine if their actions were in accordance with Department policy and training and asks for the public's patience.

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