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**COPA RELEASES VIDEO & OTHER MATERIALS FROM FATAL OFFICER-INVOLVED SHOOTING
NEAR 3800 W. FLOURNOY**

Today, the Civilian Office of Police Accountability (COPA) released, to its website, video, and other materials of a fatal officer-involved shooting near 3800 N. Flournoy. The release of materials of the fatal shooting, which occurred 18 days ago on April 15, 2023, is in accordance with the City’s Video Release Policy and well in advance of the 60-day deadline.

On April 15, 2023, the Chicago Police Department (CPD) notified COPA of an officer-involved shooting. Based on preliminary information, the incident began when two officers engaged a group of individuals in the 3800 block of West Flournoy Street. As the officers exited their vehicle, one individual began to walk away. The individual then fled and was pursued on foot by the two officers. The individual fled through a gangway and into a backyard and then into another gangway with no ability to exit. The individual turned back to exit the gangway, in the direction of the officers, which led to one officer discharging their weapon striking the individual, who later succumbed to his injuries. The individual was in possession of a firearm, which was recovered on scene.

“COPA is committed to transparency and expedited the release of materials related to this incident due to significant public interest,” said COPA First Deputy Chief Administrator, Ephraim Eaddy. “As a part of the investigation, COPA will review the initial interaction, foot pursuit, body worn activation and subsequent use of deadly force as well as all other matters to determine if the officers’ actions were in accordance with Department policy and training.”

COPA has released to its website for the officer-involved shooting: body-worn camera (BWC), OEMC Transmissions, Case Incident, Tactical Response, Investigatory Stop and Foot Pursuit reports, which can be viewed by visiting:

<https://www.chicagocopa.org/case/2023-0001622/>

If anyone has information or video footage related to this incident, please contact our office at 312-746-3609 or by visiting ChicagoCOPA.org.

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