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## COPA PROVIDES UPDATE ON OFFICER-INVOLVED SHOOTING NEAR 2400 E. 72<sup>nd</sup> STREET

Today, the Civilian Office of Police Accountability (COPA) is providing an update related to a recent officer-involved shooting near 2400 E. 72<sup>nd</sup> Street. COPA investigators immediately responded to the scene and began the investigation.

On August 5, 2023, the Chicago Police Department (CPD) notified COPA of an officer-involved shooting. Preliminary information indicates that this incident occurred when two on-duty Chicago Police officers in an unmarked police vehicle observed an alleged narcotics transaction. As one of the officers exited their vehicle and approached, the individual fled on foot. Both officers then engaged in a foot pursuit ordering the individual to stop as they ran East on 72nd Street.

As the foot pursuit continued, one officer gave verbal commands to drop the weapon. The individual then fired their weapon in the direction of the officers. One officer returned fire, striking the individual who was taken to the hospital in critical condition. A gun was recovered on scene.

COPA can confirm body-worn camera captures the incident and investigators are attempting to identify additional video. Materials related to this incident will be posted to our website in accordance with the City's Video Release Policy within 60 days of the incident unless prohibited by court order.

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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