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COPA PROVIDES UPDATE ON OFFICER-INVOLVED SHOOTING NEAR 8500 S. WINCHESTER AVE

Today, the Civilian Office of Police Accountability (COPA) is providing an update related to a recent officer-involved shooting near 8500 S. Winchester Avenue. COPA investigators immediately responded to the scene and began the investigation.

On January 25, 2024, the Chicago Police Department (CPD) notified COPA of an officer-involved shooting. Preliminary information indicates this incident began when three on-duty Chicago Police officers in a marked police vehicle responded to a ShotSpotter notification in the area.

Preliminary reports indicate when officers arrived in the area, they observed an individual standing near a residence. As one officer exited the vehicle, they heard a loud bang. The officer who exited the vehicle discharged their firearm in the direction of the individual. Neither the individual nor the officers were struck by gunfire. No one is in custody and no weapon was recovered at the scene.

“COPA has not obtained any information in the early stages of its investigation that indicates a firearm was used against the officer,” said COPA First Deputy Chief Administrator, Ephraim Eaddy. “As more information becomes available, we will provide the public with an additional update, if warranted.”

COPA can confirm body-worn camera captures the initial interaction and subsequent shooting. 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](https://chicagocopa.org).

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