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### **COLUMBUS POLICE INVESTIGATE ALCOHOL TOBACCO FIREARMS (ATF) SHOOTING IN THE CITY OF COLUMBUS**

Columbus Police are investigating a shooting involving an ATF (Alcohol Tobacco and Firearms) Agent that happened in the city of Columbus.

Federal agents were investigating the burglary of a central Ohio gun shop and identified a person of interest in a Red Chevy Impala. They requested support from Columbus Police to initiate a traffic stop. A marked CPD cruiser pulled over the suspect vehicle at 3:37pm. The driver fled the stop in his vehicle and Columbus Police remained in the area looking for the vehicle.

The driver drove the wrong way down a one way street, where his path was impeded by ATF agents driving the opposite way. The driver got out of his vehicle and an altercation took place between the driver and the ATF Agent. During the altercation, the ATF agent discharged his weapon, shooting the driver. A firearm was recovered at the scene near the driver. The driver was taken to Grant Medical Center, and is expected to survive.

Because it happened within the city of Columbus and did not involve a Columbus Police officer, this shooting is under investigation by the Columbus Police Critical Incident Response Team (CIRT).

Under an agreement reached earlier this year, any police involved shooting by a Columbus Police officer would be investigated by outside investigators with the Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation.

The investigation is active and ongoing.

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