

December 2021 Response to Resistance Report

1. On December 7th, 2021, East Lansing Fire Department paramedics, East Lansing Police Officers Jordan Woodruff and Katelynn Bennett were **dispatched** to a medical facility in the 1800 Blk of Hagadorn Rd. on a 911 call for a dementia patient that was being combative. Officers Bennett and Woodruff were first to arrive on scene. Officer Bennett introduced herself by her first name. The patient is a 78-year-old white male who stated to Officer Bennett that he wanted to go to the hospital. When the paramedics arrived on scene, the paramedics told the patient they would take him to the hospital. The patient became verbally combative showing inactive resistance with the paramedics and our officers. At one point the patient told Officer Bennett that he would use her gun, pull the trigger and blow her ass away, and swearing at the officers. The subject again reiterated he wanted to go to the hospital. The patient continued to be verbally combative, stating your gonna have to carry me up biting, kicking, and snarling. Officers Bennett and Woodruff along with one of the paramedics lifted the patient on to the medical cot, also holding the subject arms until the straps were secured on the patient. ELFD paramedics used soft restraints to secure the patients hands to the cot. No handcuffs were used by our officers, no injuries sustained to the patient or ELPD officers on scene. The medical facility did fill out a petition for a Person Requiring Treatment (PRT). For approximately 15 minutes Officer Bennett and paramedics spoke with the patient trying to convince the patient, under his own power to lay on the cot. No social workers were on duty at this time.

Officers- Officer Jordan Woodruff W/M Response: Compliance Controls

 Officer Katelynn Bennett W/F Response: Compliance Controls

Subject- W/M 78 years old.

2. On December 7th, 2021, East Lansing Fire Department paramedics, East Lansing Police Officers Officers Brittany Monroe and Katelynn Bennett were **dispatched** to the 200 Blk of Abbot on a 911 call for a subject who might have fell and sustained a laceration above his left eye. Officer Monroe was the first officer to arrive on scene. The patients' friends were with the patient holding on to him in the alley. The patient was highly intoxicated, standing, but swaying and his friends were holding him upright. Officer Monroe did say hello to the patient and told the patient the reason why she was there. The patient did state to Officer Monroe that he did remember tripping and falling but would not tell Officer Monroe where the fall occurred. The East Lansing Fire Department paramedics arrived on scene in the alley of the 200 Blk of E. Grand River. The patient observed the ambulance and tried to run away only making it a few steps before Officer Monroe and one of the patients' friends grabbed ahold of the patient. Officer Bennet then arrives on scene. Officers Bennett, Monroe, the paramedics, and the patients' friends tried talking to the patient getting him to comply with going to the hospital. The patient would not comply with the paramedics and officers' request. One of the paramedics advised the patient that due to the laceration and his intoxication he had to go to the hospital. The patient resisted ELPD officers and ELFD paramedics walking over to the ambulance showing active resistance from the paramedics and officers, trying to walk away. As the patient was getting into the ambulance, he was showing passive and active resistance to the officers and paramedics. Once in

the ambulance the patient sat on the chair and would not move from the chair to the cot as requested by the paramedics. Officers Bennet and Monroe, along with one of the paramedics picked up the patient and transferred him to the medical cot as the patient was showing passive and active resistance moving from and to the cot. Officer Monroe did tell the patient to stop resisting. The patient was verbally combative swearing at the paramedics. No handcuffs were used in this incident. For approximately seven minutes Officers Monroe, Bennet and ELFD paramedics talked to the patient about going to hospital for treatment. No social workers were on duty during the incident.

Officers- Officer Brittany Monroe H/F Response: Compliance Controls

Officer Katelynn Bennett W/F Response: Compliance Controls

Subject- W/M 22 years old

3. On December 11th, 2021, Officers Katelynn and Officer Andrew Ferguson were **dispatched** to an unwanted subject at a residence in the 1600 Blk of Cambria on a 911 call from a neighbor who stated that his neighbor had people in his apartment who were refusing to leave. Officer Bennett was the first officer arrive on scene. Officer Bennett did knock on the door, the door was slightly ajar. The subject that lives at this residence is known by officers due to the number of frequent calls for service at his residence. Officer Bennett did state his name prior to entering in the apartment and advised him that it was the police department. As Officer Bennett enters the residence, it is observed that the resident and another individual are inside the residence, one is sitting on the couch the other in a chair. Officer Bennett asks the resident what he needs. The resident states that he wants the other subject to leave. The subject advised Officer Bennett that he paid the resident \$10.00 and bought him a bottle of booze to stay the night at his residence. The resident continues to tell the subject to leave as they are sitting down. The resident then stands up and states "I'm going to kick his ass". The resident then bends over and picks up a battery powered drill off of the floor, showing active aggression, holding it up near his body standing only a couple feet away from the other subject. Officer Bennett gives loud verbal commands for the resident to put down the drill multiple times. The resident does push the drill button to turn on the drill. Officer Bennett does draw her Taser and points her Taser at the resident and tells him to put down the drill. The resident does comply putting the drill down. Officer Bennett does continue to have her Taser pointed at the resident until she can move the drill (weapon) away from the resident after he sits down on the couch. Officer Bennet then reholsters her Taser. Officer Andrew Ferguson arrives on scene after the response to resistance occurs. The subject then leaves on his own accord. No injuries were sustained during this incident. No social workers were on duty during this incident. The 64-year-old B/M subject has talked with our Police Social Worker in the past.

Officers- Katelynn Bennett W/F Response: Intermediate Controls

Subject- B/M 64 years old

Other subject- B/M 60's

4. On December 12th, 2021, Officer Ferguson and Lt. Pride were doing a bar check/liquor inspection, *self-initiated field activity*, inside Harpers Bar in the 200 Blk of Albert. During the bar check/liquor inspection Officer Ferguson witnessed an altercation on the dance floor. Officer Ferguson witnessed the suspect initiate active aggression towards another male. Officer Ferguson did grab ahold of the suspect and told him to place his hands behind his back. This suspect complied and was handcuffed. After further investigation the suspect was not the aggressor and was acting in self-defense as he was hit first. The suspect was unhandcuffed. Lt. Pride did walk the other subject out of the bar. Neither party wanted to prosecute reference to the assault. Management did assist with the removal of the other subject involved. No injuries occurred due to this incident. No social workers were on duty during this incident.

Officers- Andrew Ferguson W/M Response: Compliance Controls

Lt. Chad Pride W/M Response: None

Suspect- W/M 19

Other- W/M 18

5. On December 13th, 2021, Officer Mommersteeg and Woodruff were **dispatched** to the 800 Blk of Beechlawn Ct. on a 911 call for a fight at a residence. Prior to officers' arrival dispatch updated the officers that a knife and a firearm might be involved. Officer Woodruff arrived on scene first then Officer Mommersteeg arrived. The officers contacted the 911 caller/grandmother at the front door of the residence. Information received was the grandmother that the grandfather and grandson were involved. The grandmother indicated that she never saw a firearm but knew one of the subjects used to own one. Due to weapons being involved the officers requested the caller to exit off the front porch. Officer Woodruff unholstered his handgun, Officer Mommersteeg unholstered his Taser in protection for their safety and others because of the information they were dispatched to reference the weapons involved. Officer Woodruff was at the front door when he announces, Police Department. Loud banging could be heard inside. Officer Woodruff did open the front door and give verbal commands for both individuals to come down the stairs showing their hands. Both individuals did comply coming down the stairs one at a time showing their hands with no weapons. Officer Woodruff did have his weapon at the low ready and did not point his weapon at either subject. Officer Woodruff reholstered his weapon. Officer Mommersteeg did have his duty weapon drawn at first then reholstered his duty weapon and unholstered his Taser pointing it at the low ready and did not point it at anyone. A knife was recovered at the scene, no firearm was recovered. One of the subjects was arrested on a criminal charge.

Officers- Jordan Woodruff W/M Response: Weapon Display

Ben Mommersteeg W/M Response: Weapon Display & Intermediate Controls

Subjects- W/M 49

Juvenile

6. On December 13th, 2021, Officers were **dispatched** to the 1600 Blk of Wintercrest on a 911 call for the second time in a half hour for an unwanted subject. The call came from the suspects girlfriend. Officers Menser, Moore, Nelson, Ferguson arrived on scene to meet with the caller who was outside the residence. The suspect went back into the residence. Officers were able to obtain information from LEIN (Law Enforcement Information Network) prior to the second call for service that the suspect had a warrant for his arrest for a weapons violation. The suspect exited outside of the residence and stood on the front porch with the front door open. The suspect was advised of his warrants and the suspect stated he knew about the warrant. Officers talked to the suspect for approximately 12 minutes. Officer Menser was able to come from behind the suspect as he was standing on the front porch, at that time the suspect was advised he was under arrest. The suspect was actively resisting in the handcuffing process. Officers Menser, Moore, Nelson, and Ferguson did take the suspect to the ground on the grass. Officers did tell the suspect to stop resisting. The suspect was assisted standing up by the officers. The suspect was escorted to a police car and was advised he needed to get into the patrol car. Lt. Vedder then arrived on scene. The suspect did not want to get into the patrol car. Lt. Vedder did assist the suspect after he sat down in the backseat of the patrol vehicle by sliding the suspect backwards by his shoulders towards the door. No injuries occurred due to this incident. No social workers were on duty during this incident.

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| Officers- Lt. Vedder | W/M | Response: Compliance Controls |
| Andrew Ferguson | W/M | Response: Physical Controls |
| James Menser | W/M | Response: Physical Controls |
| Austin Nelson | W/M | Response: Physical Controls |
| Mark Moore | W/M | Response: Physical Controls |
| Suspect- | B/M | 30 |

7. On December 18th, 2021, Officers Harrison and Cotton were **dispatched** to a 911 call near Pine Forest and Saginaw in the COEL on a weapons complaint. Information given was that an individual had pointed a handgun at the caller. Officer Harrison arrived on scene and the caller pointed out the suspect walking nearby. Officer Harrison did make contact with the individual who was also walking with a female subject. Officer Harrison did give verbal commands for the subjects to show her their hands. Officer Cotton arrived on scene and advised the male subject that he was not under arrest but being detained. Officer Cotton then handcuffed the male subject for their safety. The male subject did state he had a BB gun on him. During the search of the male subject a BB gun was located on his person. After speaking with both parties that were involved in the weapons complaint, neither party wanted to pursue criminal charges against each other. The male subject was unhandcuffed and released.

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| Officers- | Officer Cotton | W/M | Response: Handcuffing |
| | Officer Harrison | W/F | |
| Subject- | | W/M | 38 |

8. On December 18th, 2021, Officers Viera, Moore, Kole, Jones, and Menser were **dispatched** on a 911 call for a subject on the second level of the Fieldhouse bar with a gun. Officers arrived on scene to find people walking down the steps from the second level to the first. Fieldhouse security advised the officers that the subject had left prior to their arrival. Officers Jones, Kole, and Moore did search the second floor of the establishment with their weapons drawn however none of their weapons were pointed at anyone and the described subject could not be located. A description was obtained by one of the officers from an individual outside of the Dublin bar along with a vehicle description of a beige car and license plate number. The vehicle was later located at 7-11 store at 311 Grove. The individual that was described by the witness was observed inside the store. Officers waited for the subject to exit the store. The subject was with two other male individuals and two female individuals. The officers formulated a plan to wait until the subjects exited the store. Once the subjects exited the store the officers, with their guns unholstered at the low ready did contact the subjects. The subjects were patted down for weapons, no weapons were found on their person. The females did consent to a search by the officers. The subjects were all released. A second call from dispatch indicated that a shot had been fired near the Hopcat bar. No evidence of this occurring was found. The subjects were released.

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| Officers- Officer Jones | B/M | | Response: Weapon display |
| Officer Kole | W/F | | Response: Weapon display |
| Officer Menser | W/M | | Response: Weapon display |
| Officer Moore | W/M | | Response: Weapon display |
| Officer Viera | H/M | | Response: Weapon display |
| Subjects- | B/M | 25 | |
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| | B/M | 31 | |
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9. On December 20th, 2021, Officers Viera and Ferguson were **dispatched** for a 911 call of a fight at an apartment complex in the 200 Blk of W. Saginaw. According to the dispatcher screaming could be heard in the apartment and someone yelling stop. As officers arrived at the door to the apartment screaming could be heard inside and someone yelling stop it. Officer Ferguson knocked on the door multiple times and advised it was the East Lansing Police Department prior to the resident coming to the door. When the subject came to the door Officer Ferguson could observe that the subject had blood on his shirt and when the subject was advised to show officers his hands, because they were concealed, blood was observed on the subject hands. Officers requested the subject to exit out of the residence while he stood in the door frame, however the subject showed passive and active resistance and did not comply. Officers Viera and Ferguson did have to use soft empty hand controls to handcuff the subject to detain him. The subject made statements of self-harm to himself, and injuries observed by the officers made them to believe that the subject needed medical treatment. After the subject was secured, the subject started to physically strike his head on his own accord against the wall in the hallway. Officers Ferguson, Woodruff, Nelson, and Viera were able to take the subject to the ground controlling the subject so he could not harm himself. The subject was transported by ELFD to a local hospital. No social worker on duty at the time of this incident, but a referral was completed.

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| Officers- Officer Viera | H/M | Response: Soft Empty Hand Techniques & Handcuffing |
| Officer Ferguson | W/M | Response: Soft Empty Hand Techniques & Handcuffing |
| Officer Nelson | W/M | Response: Soft Empty Hand Techniques |
| Officer Woodruff | W/M | Response: Soft Empty Hand Techniques |
| Subject | H/M | 20 |

10. On December 22nd, 2021, Officers Cassidy and Jones were **dispatched** by a 911 call to the 800 Block of W. Lake Lansing Rd. for a reckless driving complaint. The caller was able to give a description of the vehicle involved which was driving excessively fast and running red lights. Officer Cassidy located the described vehicle and conducted a traffic stop on the vehicle after the driver performed a violation of the Michigan Motor Vehicle Code. Officer Cassidy contacted the driver at the driver vehicle who was making statements that officers believed the driver was hallucinating. The driver was requested to exit his vehicle. Officer Cassidy did perform a Terry Pat down for weapons, the driver indicated he had a knife on him, a knife was located. The driver continued to make statements of hallucinations before and after the knife was located. The driver was then placed in protective custody and handcuffed for his and the officer's safety. The driver was transported to a local medical facility for evaluation and a person requiring treatment (PRT) form was filled out by the officers. Officers did fill out a social worker referral form.

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| Officers- Cassidy | W/M | Response: Cooperative Handcuffing |
| Jones | B/M | |
| Subject | W/M | 36 |

11. On December 23rd, 2021, Officers Culross, Stemen, Mommersteeg, and Moore were dispatched to a 911 call in the 1700 Block of N. Hagadorn by the caller stating that he was going to his ex-girlfriends to attack her. Prior to officers arriving on scene dispatched advised the officers sent to the scene that they had received a call from the girlfriend that the male half had a gun. Officer Culross arrived in her patrol, vehicle to observe the male half in this incident near his vehicle outside the residence. Officer Culross drew her duty weapon, for her safety, holding it at the ready position giving loud verbal commands to the male half. Officer Mommersteeg arrived on scene and drew his duty weapon and after observing the Officer Culross had her weapon drawn, Officer Mommersteeg holstered his duty weapon and unholstered his Taser. Neither time did Officer Mommersteeg point his weapons at the male half, they were only held at the low ready. Officer Stemen did perform a Terry Pat for weapons on the male subject, none were found. The male half did allow a consent search to his vehicle, no weapons were found. The male half was released. No social workers were working at the time of the incident. A social worker referral was submitted.

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| Officers- Culross | W/F | Response: Weapon display |
| Mommersteeg | W/M | Response: Weapon & Taser display |
| Subject | W/M | 51 |

12. On December 24th, 2021, Officers Kole and Harrison were **dispatched** to a 911 call of a female throwing rocks at moving vehicles in the 1300 Block of W. Lake Lansing. Officer Kole arrived at the location of the incident where she interviewed two witness that observed the female throwing rocks and running into the street. Officer Kole was able to get a description of the female and locate her near the scene. Officer Kole observed the female suspect who was throwing rocks at the cars pick up a couple of rocks and throw them towards moving vehicles. Officers Kole and Harrison did contact the female near the scene. Both officers arrived on scene in their patrol vehicles. Officer Harrison told the female to stop four times as the female continued to walk away from officers. Both officers did attempt to handcuff the suspect, the suspect did show some active resistance. The officers however were able to get the suspect handcuffed. ELFD medics were requested for a medical evaluation. ELFD did transport the suspect to a medical treatment for evaluation. A person requiring treatment (PRT) form was filled out. No social worker was on duty at the time of this incident.

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| Officers- Kole | W/F | Response: Soft Empty Hand Techniques/ Handcuffing |
| Harrison | W/F | Response: Soft Empty Hand Techniques/ Handcuffing |
| Suspect- | W/F | 41 |

13. On December 31st, 2021, Officers Nelson, Wright, and Sgt. Young were **dispatched** on a 911 call to a residence in the 500 Blk of Dorthey Ln. for a suicidal subject. The caller was not on scene and was calling from Florida. The caller indicated that the subject had attempted to slit his throat. Officers Nelson, Wright, and Sgt. Young arrived on scene and encountered a roommate of the suicidal subject call outside the residence. The roommate indicated that the subject did not have the knife anymore and that it was in the bathroom, the subject was last seen in the living room. As officers entered the residence Officer Nelson did draw his duty weapon and had it at the low ready position. Sgt. Young did have the 40mm less lethal weapon system and held it at the low ready when they made entry into the residence. Neither Officer Nelson nor Sgt. Young pointed their weapon systems at any individual on scene but did have them out for their safety. Officer Nelson contacted the suicidal subject who had superficial cuts on his neck in the kitchen standing near the sink. Officer Nelson did ask the subject his name, which was confirmed as being the same subject involved. Officer Nelson did conduct Terry Pat down for weapons inside the residence and then conducted a more through search outside the residence for weapons. No weapons were found. The subject was transported to a local hospital by ELFD paramedics. A person requiring treatment (PRT) form was filled out. No social worker on duty during this incident.

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| Officers- | Nelson | W/M | Response: Weapon display |
| | Sgt. Young | B/M | Response: Less lethal weapon display |
| Subject- | | W/M | 20 |

14. On December 31st, 2021, Officer Bennett was **dispatched** on a 911 call to the 200 Blk of Albert for a female subject who was incoherent and lost her friends. Officer Bennett contacts the individual, a paramedic is also dispatched to the scene for evaluation. The caller was also on scene. Officer Bennett walks the female out to the roadway on Albert St. Another male individual walks up getting close, within a foot from Officer Bennett who is visible intoxicated, slurring his words. Officer Bennett puts her arm out stopping the male individual from getting too close to her. The male individual then backs up, is not pushed, and loses his balance falling into the bushes. The individual could not get up out of the bushes without the assistance from a passerby individual. ELFD is dispatched to the scene and transports the male individual to a local hospital.

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| Officer- | Bennett | W/F | Response: Soft Empty Hand Techniques |
| Subject- | | W/M | 21 |

15. On January 1st, 2022, Officer Bennett and Wright were **dispatched** on a 911 call to a business in the 300 Blk of Grove St., for a subject described as a black male, 35 years old, wearing a green shirt and black pants that stated he wanted to kill himself and broke the front door of the business. Officer Bennett arrives to find an individual fitting the description given near the entrance of the business. Officer Bennett confirms with the 911 caller, who was working in the business that the individual she is talking to is talking to is the individual they had called about. The male subject was very agitated talking to the officers. The subject does identify himself verbally. As the subject is talking to Officer Bennett, the subject throws his cell phone across the street, then falls hitting the hood of the patrol vehicle, injuring himself. The subject then walks over and punches a fence, showing active aggression, on the business property and states that he busted his tooth. Officer Bennet and Wright then handcuff the subject, placing him into protective custody. Officer Bennett did request a ELPD supervisor to come to the scene and ELFD for a medical evaluation. The subject was then placed in the backseat of a patrol vehicle prior to the paramedics arriving on scene. Paramedics then transport the subject to a local hospital for evaluation. Prior to being transported the subject yells and screams at the officers swearing at them. The subject also sits forward and bangs his head and back against the cot. A person requiring treatment (PRT) form was completed. The subject did ask the officers to shot him and indicated that he has been suicidal in the past.

While at the hospital the subject states that he is suicidal. Officer Bennett unhandcuffs one of the subjects' hands per hospital policy but secures the other handcuff to the hospital cot. As the hospital security guard attempts to put a wrist band on the subject the subject hits the security guard's hand again showing active aggression. Officer Bennett then grabs ahold of the subject's hand and holds it for the security guard to put on the wrist band. The subject yells and swears at the hospital staff.

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| Officers- | Bennett | W/F | Response: Handcuffing/Soft Empty Hand Techniques |
| | Wright | W/F | Response: Handcuffing/Soft Empty Hand Techniques |
| Subject- | | B/M | 24 |