

Green Oak Township Police

Incident Case Number: 21-00911

Reporting Agency: Green Oak Township Police

Print Date/Time: 03/20/2025 09:00:21

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INCIDENT/INVESTIGATION REPORT

INCIDENT DATA

Agency Name Green Oak Township Police		INCIDENT/INVESTIGATION REPORT		Case# 21-00911	
ORI MI 4786500				Date / Time Reported 08/10/2021 22:30 Tue	
Location of Incident MARCY DR, Brighton MI 48116				Last Known Secure 08/10/2021 19:30 Tue	
				At Found 08/10/2021 22:30 Tue	
Gang Relat		Premise Type Residence/home	Beat/ GO01		
#1	Crime Incident(s) Fraud - False Pretense / Swindle / Confidence Game - 26001		(Att)		Weapon / Tools
					Entry
					Exit
#2	Crime Incident		()		Weapon / Tools
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					Exit
#3	Crime Incident		()		Weapon / Tools
					Entry
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VICTIM

# of Victims 1		Type: INDIVIDUAL/ NOT LAW		Injury:	
V1		Victim/Business Name (Last, First, Middle) COOKE, CATHERINE LLANNE		Victim of Crime # 1,	DOB [REDACTED]
				Age [REDACTED]	Race [REDACTED]
				Sex [REDACTED]	Relationship To Offender
				Resident Status	Military Branch/Status
Home Address [REDACTED]		Email [REDACTED]		Home Phone [REDACTED]	
Employer Name/Address [REDACTED]		Business Phone [REDACTED]		Mobile Phone [REDACTED]	
VYR	Make	Model	Style	Color	Lic/Lis
				VIN	

OTHERS INVOLVED

CODES: V- Victim (Denote V2, V3) WI = Witness IO = Involved Other RP = Reporting Person (if other than victim)					
Type: INDIVIDUAL/ NOT LAW ENFORCEMENT		Injury:			
Code IO	Name (Last, First, Middle) PHIPPS, MONEE AMANDA	Victim of Crime #	DOB [REDACTED]	Race [REDACTED]	Sex [REDACTED]
			Age [REDACTED]	Relationship To Offender	Resident Status
				Military Branch/Status	
Home Address [REDACTED]		Email [REDACTED]		Home Phone [REDACTED]	
Employer Name/Ad [REDACTED]		Business Phone [REDACTED]		Mobile Phone [REDACTED]	
Type: INDIVIDUAL/ NOT LAW ENFORCEMENT		Injury:			
Code IO	Name (Last, First, Middle) MONROE, COLLEEN ELIZABETH TOKAI	Victim of Crime #	DOB [REDACTED]	Race [REDACTED]	Sex [REDACTED]
			Age [REDACTED]	Relationship To Offender	Resident Status
				Military Branch/Status	
Home Address [REDACTED]		Email [REDACTED]		Home Phone [REDACTED]	
Employer Name/Address [REDACTED]		Business Phone [REDACTED]		Mobile Phone [REDACTED]	

PROPERTY

1 = None 2 = Burned 3 = Counterfeit / Forged 4 = Damaged / Vandalized 5 = Recovered 6 = Seized 7 = Stolen 8 = Unknown
("OJ" = Recovered for Other Jurisdiction)

VI #	Code	Status Frm/To	Value	OJ	QTY	Property Description	Make/Model	Serial Number
88	INFO		\$0.00		1	PHOTOS		
88	INFO		\$100.00		1	SPRAY PAINT ON HOUSE		
27	INFO		\$0.00		1	SCREENSHOTS		
88	INFO		\$0.00		1	SEARCH WARRANTS		
88	INFO		\$0.00		1	GOFUNDME RETURN INFORMATION		
88	INFO		\$0.00		1	ADYEN WARRANT		
88	INFO		\$0.00		1	COOKE FB SW RETURN		
27	INFO		\$0.00		1	INTERVIEW - COOKE		
88	INFO		\$0.00		1	GEDEON SEARCH WARRANT RETURN		
88	INFO		\$0.00		1	ADYEN WARRANT RETURNS		
20	INFO		\$7,949.00		1	MONEY/CASH		

Officer/ID# BEACH, B. (00027)		Invest ID# MONTES, A. R. (00025)		Supervisor PLESS, J. (00009)	
Status	Complainant Signature	Case Status <i>Closed By Arrest</i>	06/02/2022	Case Disposition:	Page 2

Incident Report Additional Name List

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Additional Name List

Name Code/#	Name (Last, First, Middle)	Victim of Crime #	DOB	Age	Race	Sex
1) IO 3	HAMBLIN, KENNETH REED					
	Address		H:			
	Empl/Addr		B:	- -		
			Mobile #:	- -		
2) IO 4	GEDEON, MICHAEL BRUCE					
	Address		H:			
	Empl/Addr		B:	- -		
			Mobile #:			

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Assisting Officers

Suspect Hate / Bias Motivated: NONE

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REPORTING OFFICER NARRATIVE

Green Oak Township Police

Victim COOKE, CATHERINE LIANNE		Offense FRAUD - FALSE PRETENSE / SWINDLE /	OCA 21-00911 Date / Time Reported Tue 08/10/2021 22:30
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INFORMATION:

I was dispatched to an mdop at a residence where the caller's home was spray painted.

DATE & TIME:

The incident occurred on 8/10/2021 between 7:30pm and 10:30pm.

VENUE:

██████ Marcy Dr
Brighton, MI 48116
Green Oak Township
Livingston County

ARRIVAL:

Upon arrival at the residence, I observed a female standing outside. I began speaking with this female who later turned out to be the caller, RENAY GEDEON.

CONTACT WITH VICTIM RENAY GEDEON:

GEDEON stated she is a local farmer and had an interview with the radio station whmi about the drag queen event for the Howell melon fest. GEDEON stated she said she on air that she wanted the melon fest to continue and was in support of the drag queen event that was planning on taking place at the melon fest. GEDEON informed me that makes the majority of her income during the sales of her produce at the melon fest, so she certainly did not want it canceled.

GEDEON stated she had the interview early last week, approximately 8/2 or 8/3/21. Several days later, on Saturday, 8/7/21 at approximately 1:45pm, a female drove to GEDEON's house and began yelling obscenities at her. GEDEON stated she arrived home at approximately 1:45pm and a silver minivan was parked on the side of Old Lee Rd, to the east of Marcy Dr. GEDEON said a female then drove past her in that vehicle, calling her a "Nigger lover and a queer lover". GEDEON said the female also stated not to come back to Howell. GEDEON said the vehicle then drove northbound on Marcy Dr.

GEDEON said this same person and vehicle drove past her house today after she got home at approximately 7:30pm. GEDEON said the female was a passenger in the car this time and again yelled obscenities at her. GEDEON said the vehicle continued northbound on Marcy Dr. GEDEON stated she later went to take a shower and then could hear her dogs start barking crazily around 8:15pm. GEDEON then later went outside at approximately 10:30pm and saw the damage to her garage door and the south side of her house. GEDEON called 911 shortly thereafter.

SUSPECTS DESCRIPTION:

Suspect 1: white female described as early 60's. with gray hair that might have some blonde in it, w/ bangs in the front that stopped above her eyebrows. the female did not have many teeth.

Suspect 2: The driver during the second incident was a white young white male with dark hair. The male was shirtless and had no visible tattoos/marks.

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Victim

COOKE, CATHERINE LIANNE

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GEDEON stated she does not recognize the woman or man but thinks the female resides in Howell due to her "Don't come back to Howell" comment. I asked GEDEON who would have known where she lives based off her WHMI interview. GEDEON stated she frequently hands out business cards when she sells her produce at different locations and that her business cards have her home address on them.

VEHICLE DESCRIPTION:

Silver Chrysler minivan. Late 90s model. The vehicle was completely missing the back window and instead had a clear plastic bag covering the entirety of the back window area with silver duct tape holding it on.

GEDEON stated she was not able to get a license plate of the vehicle.

PHOTOS:

I took photos of the damage.

DAMAGE RESIDENCE:

"KKK" was spray painted on GEDEON's garage door on the east side of her house. "KK" and "QUE" were spray painted on the south side of GEDEON's house.

I asked GEDEON if "QUE" had any significance to her, which she said no.

I asked GEDEON to estimate the cost of damages, which she said she had no idea.

OFFICER'S ACTIONS:

I drove through the neighborhood and several times but did not locate a vehicle matching that description.

STATUS:

Closed. No further leads.

SUBMITTED BY:

Police Officer Brandon Beach, #545, 8/10/21

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1	Name (Last, First, Middle)						Also Known As <i>MANNING, RENAY LYNN</i>				Home Address																																	
	Business Address																																											
	DOB	Age <i>50</i>	Race <i>W</i>	Sex <i>F</i>	Eth	Hgt	Wgt	Hair	Eye	Skin	Driver's License / State																																	
	Scars, Marks, Tattoos, or other distinguishing features																																											
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	Color		Serial No.		Value \$0.00		Qty 1.000		Unit	
	Status Information Only		Date 08/10/2021		NIC #		State #		Local #	
	Name (Last, First, Middle) * No name *		DOB		Age		Race		Sex	
Jurisdiction Locally										
OAN										

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2	Property Description SPRAY PAINT ON HOUSE				Make		Model		Caliber	
	Color		Serial No.		Value \$100.00		Qty 1.000		Unit	
	Status Information Only		Date 08/10/2021		NIC #		State #		Local #	
	Name (Last, First, Middle)		DOB 10/25/1970		Age 50		Race W		Sex F	
Jurisdiction Locally										
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3	Property Description SCREENSHOTS				Make		Model		Caliber	
	Color		Serial No.		Value \$0.00		Qty 1.000		Unit	
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	Name (Last, First, Middle) * No name *		DOB		Age		Race		Sex	
Jurisdiction Locally										
OAN										

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4	Property Description SEARCH WARRANTS				Make		Model		Caliber	
	Color		Serial No.		Value \$0.00		Qty 1.000		Unit	
	Status Information Only		Date 08/10/2021		NIC #		State #		Local #	
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Color		Serial No.		Value \$0.00		Qty 1.000		Unit		Jurisdiction Locally	
Status Information Only		Date 08/10/2021		NIC #		State #		Local #		OAN	
Name (Last, First, Middle) * No name *						DOB		Age		Race Sex	

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6		Property Description ADYEN WARRANT				Make		Model		Caliber	
Color		Serial No.		Value \$0.00		Qty 1.000		Unit		Jurisdiction Locally	
Status Information Only		Date 09/01/2021		NIC #		State #		Local #		OAN	
Name (Last, First, Middle) * No name *						DOB		Age		Race Sex	

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7		Property Description COOKE FB SW RETURN				Make		Model		Caliber	
Color		Serial No.		Value \$0.00		Qty 1.000		Unit		Jurisdiction Locally	
Status Information Only		Date 09/02/2021		NIC #		State #		Local #		OAN	
Name (Last, First, Middle) * No name *						DOB		Age		Race Sex	

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8		Property Description INTERVIEW- COOKE				Make		Model		Caliber	
Color		Serial No.		Value \$0.00		Qty 1.000		Unit		Jurisdiction Locally	
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Color		Serial No.		Value \$0.00		Qty 1.000		Unit		Jurisdiction Locally	
Status Information Only		Date 08/10/2021		NIC #		State #		Local #		OAN	
Name (Last, First, Middle) * No name *						DOB		Age		Race Sex	

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10		Property Description ADYEN WARRANT RETURNS				Make		Model		Caliber	
Color		Serial No.		Value \$0.00		Qty 1.000		Unit		Jurisdiction Locally	
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Name (Last, First, Middle) * No name *						DOB		Age		Race Sex	

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11		Property Description MONEY/CASH				Make		Model		Caliber	
Color		Serial No.		Value \$7,949.00		Qty 1.000		Unit		Jurisdiction Locally	
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Name (Last, First, Middle) * No name *						DOB		Age		Race Sex	

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GO FUND ME AMOUNT [02/16/2022 14:01, KFITZGERALD, 111, GOTP]

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Occurred: 08/10/2021

Offense: *FRAUD - FALSE PRETENSE / SWINDLE / CONFIDENCE GAME*

Investigator: *MONTES, A. R. (00025)*

Date / Time: 08/13/2021 07:18:50, Friday

Supervisor: *JAIN, M. V. (00023)*

Supervisor Review Date / Time: 08/20/2021 03:20:25, Friday

Contact:

Reference: *Supplement*

SYNOPSIS:

Officer Lyons and I canvassed the area of the MDOP in an attempt to identify a suspect and/or obtain additional evidence. In doing so, we drove past the home of Renay Gedeon where she and several people were outside the home attempting to clean the spray paint off the side of the home. We got out and contacted the parties, speaking with Renay Gedeon first who was then joined by her husband, Michael Gedeon.

We had learned via Renay's facebook post and multiple shares of her post that there was damage to her home and her farm, leading us to believe the farm was either in another jurisdiction, or she hadn't yet reported the damage to the farm to us; [REDACTED]. Social media also revealed that there was a GoFundMe account set up for the family by Catherine Cooke. There was a comment thread from a Facebook mom to mom forum where Cooke makes an offer to Renay Gedeon to set up the GoFundMe. The GoFundMe stated, "They spray painted KKK and QUE on the siding and garage doors, drove down the gate and destroyed part of their greenhouse." It also stated, "Funds raised will help with the damaged gate, greenhouse, graffiti, cameras for the property and loss of produce."

After speaking with Renay over the course of two days, I received conflicting statements from her as to the location of her farm. It was expressed to her that the farm could yield evidence and be connected to her home being vandalized. Renay ultimately admitted that she had lied about having a farm. When confronted with the GoFundMe, Renay advised that she wasn't going to take any money from it (the fundraiser was active up until confronted about it). Renay stated she didn't know there was a GoFundMe until after it was created; this was disproven through an interview with the GoFundMe creator, Catherine Cooke, who provided me the Facebook Messenger conversation showing where Renay approved the GoFundMe before it was published.

INTERVIEW RENAY GEDEON- 8/11/2021:

I greeted Renay, offering my apologies for what happened to her home. She was eager to tell me her belief that the spray painting was done in retaliation for her interview with WHMI News the previous week where she publicly supported keeping drag queen bingo at the Melonfest. I asked Renay what she believed the "QUE" was supposed to mean, and Renay confidently replied, "queer." Renay theorized that she had interrupted the culprits, so the words weren't finished. She told me that she had gotten in from work and was getting ready for a shower when her dogs "went nuts". Renay said she went outside to see what caused her dogs to bark and discovered the damage.

I advised Renay I was conducting the criminal investigation into the incident and inquired where the farm was and whether she'd reported it. She told me she didn't need a report for the farm. I questioned not needing a report for the farm and was told by Renay that her landlord was filing a homeowners claim for it. I asked if she was sure she didn't need a report, and she said she was. I told her I needed to see the farm as it related to the graffiti done on her home. She told me it was on Bishop Rd but couldn't tell me the address. She stated the farm is a few acres of

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land that she leases from a guy named Fred Smolter. I asked her if she could describe where on Bishop it was. Renay said "it's not too far down." Renay was advised we'd be in the area checking for the silver van near her home and the farm. She thanked us for our work, and we left the area to locate the farm.

ATTEMPT TO LOCATE GEDEON'S FARM:

Immediately after leaving Renay's home, Officer Lyons and I drove Bishop Rd from north to south with nothing standing out as a place where what she described would be. We checked the Google Earth image of the area, and nothing appeared consistent with that either. I requested Chief Pless check township and county records for the landlord's name which was also unsuccessful. Officer Lyons and I spoke to several residents that live on Bishop Rd inquiring if they knew Gedeon, Smolter, or anyone who may lease land for the grow operation Gedeon claimed to run. None of those residents knew of them. I searched Google and Facebook and was unable to locate an address for the farm on either.

INTERVIEW MONEE PHIPPS- 8/12/2021:

I spoke with the market master's for Brighton and Howell Farmer's Markets. I was advised by the Brighton market master, Monee Phipps, that she was scheduled to go view Gedeon's Farm on Wednesday morning, 8/11/2021, but was cancelled "at about midnight" when Renay texted her photographs of the home and said she couldn't make it for the inspection. I asked Phipps if she had an address for where Gedeon's farm was located. Phipps said the Gedeon's were secretive about the location of the farm and only described it to her as by "JC Penney" (JC Penney is located very close to Bishop Rd). Phipps was supposed to meet the Gedeon's at their home and follow them to the location of the farm.

Phipps said Renay and her husband had been allowed back to the market this year "on probation". She told me that they were asked not to return the previous season due to Michael Gedeon being rude to Phipps and their continued tardiness which is against the rules. Phipps advised that the Howell Farmer's Market master, Colleen Monroe, may have information for where the farm is because Monroe's children had helped Renay with a harvest in a previous season.

INTERVIEW COLLEEN MONROE- 8/12/2021:

I next spoke with Colleen Monroe who advised she had never been to Gedeon's Farm. She advised that at one-point Renay had arranged for assistance from Monroe in a harvest, but Renay cancelled on them. Monroe said she had been told by others she doesn't have a farm. Monroe said she had been shown pictures of Renay's car at Eastern Market buying from there, so it was believed by them that Renay resells produce she has not personally grown. Monroe said there is one or two sellers at her market (Gedeon's being one of them) who aren't believed to have their own farm, but she doesn't worry about it because they are "such small operations" compared to all the

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other legitimate farms that participate in her market.

I discussed with Monroe the importance of the farm as it relates to the investigation of the vandalism of her home, the GoFundMe, and people on various Facebook pages questioning the farm and wanting to help. Monroe offered to call Gedeon to see if she could get information on where the farm is or any pictures of the damages.

FOLLOW UP INTERVIEW WITH RENAY GEDEON- 8/12/2021:

Approximately 20 minutes after speaking with Monroe, Renay called me at the office. She said she wanted to let us know that everything was "fine with the farm and taken care of." She sounded different speaking with me than the previous day as her breathing was now short and choppy, and her voice was quivering. After being advised the evidentiary value the farm could hold in the investigation, and how Officer Lyons and I checked all of Bishop Rd looking for the farm, Renay told me she must have been confused in saying it was on Bishop and meant Rushton Rd. She wasn't able to provide me with an address or cross street. I told her it's important to know where on Rushton, so I could check the area businesses camera footage. She quipped that there would be no footage because her farm is a couple acres away from the home. I told her the footage from Brummer Elementary or Ten Mile Mobil or the other business along Rushton would be able to pick up the silver van she described which would tie the two vandalisms together. Renay said she would ask Michael to call her landlord, Kenny, for it. She advised she would call me back with it.

Renay called me back about ten minutes later and now provided an address of 6864 Six Mile Rd. I asked what city mailing that was and she didn't know. I advised her that I would go to the address to view and photograph the damages and look for evidence that may have been left behind. After a brief pause, I asked if there was damage there. She said there wasn't and there was no greenhouse or gate. She further stated that she didn't tell me initially there was not a farm because she didn't want people to know that farmers at the markets aren't usually selling all their own produce. Renay said the melons for the upcoming Melonfest would be coming up from Indiana, and even the Cherry Festival each year is loaded with cherries from Wisconsin.

I told Renay that not having the farm would be problematic for her GoFundMe as that describes there being damage to a farm that she doesn't have. She quickly replied that they decided they weren't taking the money from GoFundMe yesterday (Tuesday 8/11/2021). I told her that the fundraiser was still active as her and I were speaking. Renay then told me that she didn't know about the GoFundMe until yesterday afternoon as she didn't ask for it or set it up.

I asked Renay who spray painted her house. After a brief silence, she said she didn't know. I told her that it was convenient that her farm was to be inspected by Monee Phipps for Farmer's Market purposes on Wednesday, but her home was damaged late Tuesday night, so she couldn't do the inspection for the farm that she knew didn't exist. She said Phipps was a liar and reiterated that she didn't spray paint her home. I told her that she might not

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have done it but that didn't mean that she didn't have her husband or son do it. Our conversation ended as Renay gave the phone to Michael who raised his voice at me, claiming that I was calling him a racist. He continued to talk over me and ranted about how they never made a claim about a farm to us. He said the business is in his name and uses the Marcy address for it. He said his son lives in Fowlerville and he (Michael) was at work so there was no way they could've done the damage to their home. I advised them I would contact them if I needed anything further from them.

GO FUND ME PAGE INFORMATION:

After my conversation with the Gedeon's, I looked at the GoFundMe, and it was still active with \$8949. Ofc. Lyons then looked at the Facebook profile of Renay Gedeon who had just posted that they wouldn't be taking any of the money from the GoFundMe. On that post, Catherine Cooke (Catherine Lianne- Facebook username) asks her to PM her, indicating to move the conversation to private message through Facebook Messenger. See below section for interview with Catherine Cooke for further.

The GoFundMe stated "Last night, Gedeons farms in Livingston County was vandalized. They spray painted QUE and KKK on the siding and garage doors, drove down the gate and destroyed part of their greenhouse." It further stated, "Funds raised will help with the damaged gate, greenhouse, graffiti, camera for the property and loss of produce." It shows that the fundraiser was started by "Catherine Lianne" on behalf of Michael Gedeon on 8/11/2021. There was an update later in the day on 8/11/2021 that stated in part, "I'd like to make something very clear. The family did not ask for this gofund me or money. Myself and other local moms decided to do this for the family. The money will go towards any damages, security cameras for their home and farm and to put back into their small business. After all without local farmers, we'd all be in trouble." It is unknown what prompted the update to the page.

The next update posted was reference the fundraiser being disabled which occurred after Renay's admission to me of there not being a farm and conversation about the GoFundMe. That update states, "I want to thank everyone as a community for coming together so quickly to try and support this family. Unfortunately, the family and myself have received backlash over the go fund me. Yesterday morning myself and other local moms decided in a mom group to come together and help them out, the easiest way to do that was to send people over to try and remove the racist graffiti and raise funds. The family didn't ask for this. Now, people are accusing them of damaging their own property, trying to run some kind of go fund me scam, etc. This is heartbreaking in so many ways and feels like evil wins again. I have no affiliation with them other then I'm a farmers market customer of theirs and my mom knows the family and has been buying from them for years. I saw wrong and tried to do good. The family is incredibly hurt and upset right now and doesn't want to accept this money. No bank account was ever set up yet so ill be contacting go fund me in the next few days to see how to send refunds."

INTERVIEW CATHERINE COOKE:

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Officer Lyons and I went to the home of Catherine Cooke and spoke with her about the GoFundMe. Catherine said she knows Renay and Michael through her mother buying produce from them. She said when she saw what happened, she wanted to help and thought a GoFundMe would help the Gedeon's fix their home and farm damages. I knew she had offered to do a GoFundMe on one of the Livingston County forums on Facebook on a thread that Renay Gedeon was also on. When I began asking her about her contact with Renay about setting it up, Cooke showed me her Facebook Messenger on her phone which shows she contacted Renay prior to setting it up and through further conversation on messenger, Renay approves the GoFundMe and wording related to the description on GoFundMe. I was provided with screenshots of the conversation by Cooke.

I asked Cooke what Renay said about stopping the GoFundMe. Cooke told me she talked to Renay over the phone and was told by Renay that people had accused her of doing the damages herself and scamming with the fundraiser, so she just wanted to stop it and the accusations. Catherine said there were people who still want to donate even since she's suspended the fundraiser. She said, "They'll have to do it privately, I guess."

NEWS COVERAGE:

On Wednesday August 11, 2021, WHMI ran a story titled, "Local Farmer's Home Vandalized With Racist Graffiti". There was a radio interview done with Renay Gedeon that morning as well. In the article it covers Gedeon's previous interview with WHMI about the Melonfest and the planned drag queen bingo and related controversy about it. The last sentences of the article states, "Meanwhile, a customer of Gedeon Farms has created a GoFundMe page to raise money for the couple. That link is below." It provides a link to the GoFundMe created by Catherine Cooke.

After the fundraiser was suspended, WHMI ran a story titled, "'Disheartening' Backlash Prompts Cancellation Of Fundraiser", on Friday, August 13, 2021. The story summarizes the reported incident and appears to interview Catherine Cooke. It describes "negative backlash" as to why the fundraiser is being shut down. Further in the article it quotes Cooke as stressing, "the family never asked for any money; they're just a group of local moms trying to help." She says Sherwin Williams donated paint and it's said another mom is reportedly donating security systems. At the end of the article, it states that Cooke said no bank account had been setup for the funds, and she was in the process of talking with GoFundMe to get everyone refunds. She also said that "some people don't want their money back and still want to support the family so that will likely have to be done privately."

INTERVIEW KENNETH HAMBLIN- 8/13/2021:

Officer Lyons and I went to 6864 Six Mile Rd to speak with the owners of the property. I couldn't make contact with anyone at the house but observed that the farm vehicle on scene all had "5H Farms" on the side of them. A google search of 5H Farms provided a phone number for them. The owners are a husband and wife, and after

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speaking with Mrs. Hamblin first, she advised my questions could be better answered by her husband, Kenny. She advised she would give my number to Kenny and have him call me.

Several minutes later, Kenny Hamblin called my department cell phone. He advised that he knows Renay and Michael as he lets them use a few plots of land to grow on. I asked him if he knew about what happened to Renay's home in Brighton. He said that he did because Renay called him the morning prior and told him about it. This lines up with the timeline of me having the phone conversation with Renay about where her farm was on 8/12/2021. I asked Kenny if he had any damages to his farm on 8/10/2021, and he said that he had not had any damages to his farm.

FACEBOOK INFORMATION:

Through the course of this investigation, I have reviewed the Facebook posts related to this incident on both Livingston Daily and WHMI as well as the persons who commented on or shared the GoFundMe information or news stories. Much of the commenting was political references, but several of the shares of Renay Gedeon's original post alluded to there being a home and a farm as two different locations.

Renay Gedeon posted on her Facebook page at 1:07am on Wednesday, August 11, 2021, "Whoever did this to my house and my farm we will find out who you are!!!!!! My husband and I don't deserve this. We work hard for what we have. This is killing me right now. If I find out this is about me being on the radio having a voice to save Melon fest. To try and get people to understand that it wasn't about them being a democratic or a republican. It was about our community. Our farmers and businesses losing money this last year with pandemic. Well I'm sitting here crying at a crushed melon." There were over 60 comments on the post. One of the comments is from Catherine Cooke that states, "This is unreal. Can we share to help get the word out?" to which Renay Gedeon replies, "yes I don't know how to do this". Cooke replies again saying in part, "It was public. I shared. We can start a go fund me in the morning if you are OK with that to cover any losses and damages." Another comment of hers immediately following the GoFundMe offer says, "I sent you a PM, get back with me when you can and I'd be happy to start a go fund me or some kind of sign up link to help at the farm."

A review of the Facebook of Shawn McGinley Howell (Facebook username) shows she shared the GoFundMe with the statement, "I'm furious. I'm actually at this woman's house, in Brighton, trying to help this lady get this off her house. They hit her home and her farm (separate locations!) All because she's a local farmer who spoke up! Please donate if you can. Let's help her get her garage painted and her farm repaired. Updated to add... I went over there with a few other awesome moms (handclap emoji) Jodi Linhard Rochowiak and (handclap emoji) Ashley Keinath. We took turns scrubbing and powerwashing. Then I went to Sherwin Williams and the manager there gifted us paint to cover up the hate. I do believe there ate more good people than bad. Jodi and Ashley thank you for being bright lights today! Renay Gedeon it was so nice meeting you today, I'm sorry it was under these circumstances. You've got a community rallying behind you though!"

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I completed affidavits for search warrant for the Facebooks of Renay Gedeon and Catherine Cooke, and the GoFundMe site records. They were sent to Judge Murphy and sworn to. She signed them and they were returned to me via email. I have sent the warrants to their respective recipients.

DISPOSITION:

Open. Forwarded to the LCP for charging determination.

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Supervisor: *KRAMER, S. J. (00011)*

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On 8/30/2021, I received the information request from GoFundMe. Upon reviewing the information on 9/1/2021, I learned that a third-party processor is responsible for the banking related to GoFundMe accounts. A search warrant was completed for the company Adyen, Inc.

REVIEW OF GOFUNDME RETURN:

All times listed in the report were Pacific Standard Time. For ease of reporting, I am using the Eastern Standard Time equivalent. The Eastern Time Zone is three hours ahead of Pacific Standard Time Zone.

Campaign Organizer Information:

GoFundMe ID: 60176527

Current Email: [REDACTED]

Current First Name: Lianne

Current Last Name: Cooke

MFA Phone Number: [REDACTED]

Created at: August 11th, 2021, 7:59 AM

Facebook ID: 10206370392557530

Facebook Link: <http://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=10206370392557530>**Beneficiary Information:**

Current Email: [REDACTED]

Current First Name: Michael

Current Last Name: Gedeon

MFA Phone Number: [REDACTED]

Created as: August 11th, 2021, 12:23 PM

Adyen Information:

Adyen Email: [REDACTED]

Adyen User ID: [REDACTED]

KYC Name: Lianne Cooke

ACTIVITY LOG REVIEW:

There is activity on the account from August 11, 2021, 8:01 AM through August 27, 2021, 4:41 AM. Several activities are logged between 8:01 AM and 8:57 AM that are done by Catherine Cooke. The changes are related to the initial fund launch, dollar amount goal change from \$1000 to \$5000, and changing the name of the fund to

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"Gedeons farms damage recovery" from "Help for Gedeons farms."

There are then 8 logs attributable to GoFundMe that appear to be internal notes of approval for the fund. Those happened between 9:38 AM and 11:32 AM. At 12:23 PM, Catherine Cooke added the beneficiary to the account as Michael Gedeon [REDACTED]. The next notes on the log show to be attributable to the beneficiary, Michael Gedeon. The first is at 12:28PM and it states, "User signed up". This is followed by saying "Beneficiary signed up" and "Beneficiary claimed fund", both are at 12:32 PM

At 1:27PM, Catherine Cooke posted an update to the page. There is a screenshot of the update that was published in the photographs initially added to the report. To summarize, it thanked everyone for their support and said the family hadn't asked for the GoFundMe or money. It further stated, "The money will go towards any damages, security cameras for their home and farm and to put back into their small business." There is an entry attributable to GoFundMe at 3:47 PM where it appears the third-party payment processor, Adyen, updated a date of 10/10/2021, but it is unknown what the relevance of that date is.

The activity logs next entry is at 12 PM on August 12, 2021. Two entries are made, one is an update that there is a screenshot of in the photographs of this report and the second shows where Catherine Cooke shut off the donations. GoFundMe then has several activities logged pertaining to flagging the account based on the update posted by Catherine Cooke wanting to refund donations. Those activities were on August 13, 2021. GoFundMe notes on August 27, 2021, that a subpoena was received and to not take action on the account.

The remainder of the report has nine pages of the names and email addresses of persons who donate to the GoFundMe and an edit history of what Catherine Cooke initially wrote for the first description on the GoFundMe.

SEARCH WARRANT:

Based off the findings from the GoFundMe warrant, I completed an affidavit for search warrant for the third-party processor, Adyen, Inc. It was sworn to and signed by Judge Murphy on 9/1/2021. It was emailed to the proper recipient on 9/2/2021.

FOLLOW UP:

I have scheduled a follow up interview with Catherine Cooke reference this case. Search warrant returns are pending for Facebook and Adyen.

DISPOSITION:

Open. Supplement and GoFundMe information to be forwarded to the LCP.

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FOLLOW UP COMPLETED:

On 9/2/2021, Catherine Cooke came to the GOPD upon my request regarding this case. I also received the Facebook records back for Catherine Cooke's page. Catherine Cooke's interview with me will be audio and video recorded and will be sent to LCP.

INTERVIEW CATHERINE COOKE:

Catherine arrived at the GOPD and was shown to conference room 4. I had previously told her when scheduling the interview that it was reference the GoFundMe that she had set up for the Gedeon's. As the interview starts, Cooke mentioned "this whole thing has been really frustrating", to which I agreed. She said she and her brother didn't understand why the cops were involved in the GoFundMe, so I described to her how the context of the vandalism brought a lot of media attention to it. She told me that the day that I initially came to her house (covered in previous supplement) she had already been contacted by Renay saying that they didn't want to take the money because people were just being rude to them. It should be noted that the conversation she describes with Renay was after my contact with Renay in which I confronted her, telling her I believed she had done the vandalism herself, and that the GoFundMe was problematic for them.

Catherine tells me that she is still trying to get the money from the GoFundMe refunded but is having trouble because GoFundMe is requiring the email to come from the listed beneficiary, Michael Gedeon. She said Michael is having trouble sending the email to GoFundMe, so she is going to go to see Michael and Renay on Sunday at the Howell Farmer's Market and send the email from Michael's phone for them.

I then sought clarification from her about how Michael Gedeon and his email came to be used as the beneficiary on the GoFundMe when Catherine was originally provided Renay Gedeon's email to use as the beneficiary through GoFundMe. Catherine explained that Renay never accepted the invite (she didn't believe that Renay knew how to accept it) that was sent to her to set herself up on the GoFundMe. Catherine said she went to the house on 8/11/21 intending to help with the house, so she set up the beneficiary part of the GoFundMe with Michael Gedeon then. I produced the GoFundMe information that I had received via the search warrant and pointed out where it lists Michael's email address and phone number and surmised that he did that. She said they did it together where she was sitting in her car and walked them through setting it up while she was there. Catherine said they never made it as far as setting up a bank account because Michael couldn't figure that out.

We spoke about Adyen because I wasn't sure if that was something that she had chosen as the processor through GoFundMe. She said she knew nothing about that part of it but added that the people who donated can refund their own money back to themselves and one donator had already done so. Catherine said a \$1000 donation from a charity in Brighton refunded themselves already. Catherine said the clean up that was done to the home to her knowledge didn't cost them (the Gedeon's) anything monetarily.

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I asked Catherine if she had ever gotten pictures of the farm damage, and she said she did not which was giving her "anxiety". She said her mother told her that she had gotten herself in the middle of some "drama" with the farmer's market. Catherine advised that there is one lady from the Brighton Market that has it out for the Gedeon's, believing that they don't grow their own produce. She adds that she always assumed that farmer's shared produce. She said she never thought about the farm or where it is, and she has no idea where it is. This led to me talking with her about a post she had made on the Livingston Post where she stated to another commenter, "They drove through the gate, damaged the green house including produce." I asked her where she had gotten that description of the damages. She said it was what Renay had originally posted on the "Cool Moms of Livingston County" Facebook group when it happened.

We spoke for a couple of minutes about the over arching politics involving the racism in the county and LGBTQ matters. Catherine said she believed that the Gedeon's were confused about how the whole process works. She said The Gedeon's acted like everyone was out to get them and when she told Renay that she had talked with me previously that Renay was "all pissed." She further stated that the update to the GoFundMe where she attempted to clarify that the money wasn't solicited by the family was done because people on WHMI were questioning to validity of it.

We then spoke about how after the fund was shut down that she had mentioned that people could give them money personally. I asked her if she knew whether they had received any money personally, and she didn't know if they had. She said she received many messages through the GoFundMe that people didn't want their money back, and on the mom-to-mom sites many were saying they'd just go to the farmer's market and overpay her for things. She also said there was a mom in the mom-to-mom group that owns a security company and was offering to do a security system for them, but she didn't know if they took her up on the offer.

We ended the interview recapping where I was at with the investigation. I asked her to contact me back should she remember or hear anything that she thinks would be beneficial to the investigation.

DISPOSITION:

Open. Pending review of Facebook warrant return information and further warrant returns.

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DVD - FACEBOOK SEARCH WARRANT AND RECORDS FOR CATHERINE LIANNE COOKE SENT TO LCP
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FOLLOW UP COMPLETED:

On 9/11/2021, I reviewed the Facebook returns I received for Catherine Cooke. I received the warrant return in relation to the Renay Gedeon warrant on 9/9/2021. Review of those results will be completed in another supplement.

CATHERINE COOKE FACEBOOK RECORDS REVIEW:

All Facebook records are reported in UTC (Coordinated Universal Time) which is four hours ahead of EST (Eastern daylight Time). When times are referenced in this supplement, they will be in EST for clarity in keeping all times in our time zone. The warrant return is 1585 pages via a PDF document. I viewed the returns via the archive .html provided by Facebook. In this each post has a linked reference in the folder provided titled "linked_media".

CATHERINE COOKE CONVERSATION WITH RENAY GEDEON 8/11/2021:

Catherine- 7:51AM, "Hey Renay. I'm so upset for you! My mom is Janet in case you don't recognize the name. Has a go fund me been set up? If not, can I help you with that?"

Renay- 7:53AM, "I don't know how to do that"

Catherine- 7:55AM, "I can do it. I'll look into it right now."

Catherine- 8:10AM, GoFundMe page is shared to Renay. Catherine captions it with, "Let me know if you're okay with all the wording and I will start sharing with the masses!"

Renay- 8:11AM, "Ok"

Catherine 8:18AM, "I need your email to add you on it as the beneficiary"

Renay- 8:20AM, [REDACTED] I don't have a bank account should I give you Mikes"

Catherine- 8:21AM, "Ok. I don't have to put in a bank account right away. So I'll get it out there and I'll get with you later today to do that."

Renay- 8:22AM, "Ok"

Catherine- 11:02AM, "Send me your address. I'll get ready and head out shortly so we can attach your bank account to go fund me. Once you can get the money, I'll get the paint and paint for you. I've been painting houses all summer with my dad and brother."

Catherine- 11:22AM, "I can come later today to if that's better I'm sure you are exhausted!"

Catherine- 3:39PM, Photo is sent (linked_media/unified_message_530270001422058.jpg). The picture is a screenshot of a message that Catherine received from a reporter wanting to get in contact with Renay and her family. Catherine captions it with, "I got this message from a local reporter wanting to talk to you. Her email and phone # are there."

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Catherine- 10:14AM, "Is everything okay?"

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Renay- 10:23AM, "No can you call me [REDACTED]"

Catherine- 10:24AM, "Just tried. I'm calling from [REDACTED]"

Catherine- 2:33PM, "Go fund me just sent a link to your husband's email"

Catherine- 2:33PM, "He needs to accept then I'm on live chat with them right now to refund"

Renay- 3:22PM, "Can you stop by today"

Catherine, 4:23PM, "Hey. I just saw this. Is everything okay? I'm dealing with a slight fam crisis right now lol. Always something."

Renay- 4:29PM, "No problem take of your family love you . Everything is ok"

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Renay- 3:47AM, "I'm so sorry the police came to your house today. I would never spray paint my house. I'm so sick over this. Now they are bothering you. I am sorry. I didn't want my house. spray painted. This so ridiculous. They aren't even looking for the lady drive by my house calling me names. I just can't take this."

Catherine- 7:01AM, "Don't be sorry! I'll ok. I totally have your back and showed them any all all messages where I reached out to you to do the go find me and other moms on the fb group that wanted to help. I'd be sick over it too."

Catherine- 7:02AM, "The good outweighs the bad as far as support. Just a few assholes saying negative things. It's just still unfortunate this happened to you, bottom line."

CATHERINE COOKE CONVERSATION WITH JANET COOKE 8/11/2021:

Catherine- 5:04AM, Catherine sent a screenshot of Renay Gedeon's Facebook post about the damage to her home and farm to who appears to be her mother (Janet Cooke) and says, "Isn't this your farmers market friend".

(linked_media/unified_message_161922829359054.jpg). This conversation continues through the day as follows:

Catherine- 10:54AM "Almost at 3k. Been fighting racists all morning. On different fb posts".

Janet- 1:36PM, "Your the best I've been doing the same pushing 5000. (Smiling heart emoji)".

Catherine- 3:20PM, "It's probably more than they need. But whatever. They can put it back into their farm."

Catherine- 3:22PM, "I drove over there to the house to help set up go fund me into bank act. Sherman Williams is going to donate paint for siding and he has someone coming over with their sprayer. They were able to salvage the stuff at the farm I think but with this money they can just replace it and get cameras at both places."

Janet- 3:52PM, "I'm sure that's what they will do."

Catherine- 7:10PM, "Called u back"

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Catherine- 10:17AM, "I'm assuming someone is her harassing her. She just posted she's not taking any money."

Catherine- 10:18AM, "Some lady on the whmi page is hounding me for pics for the farm damage. Why the fuck are ppl so stressful"

Janet- 10:51AM, "So she asked me to call her around 2pm I'm sure that's"

Catherine- 10:52AM, "I just talked to her. Its a mess."

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Janet- 10:52AM, "what's up people suck"

Catherine- 10:52AM, "Too much to type."

Janet- 10:52AM, "I'll call you after I room this patient"

Catherine- 10:54AM, "Ok"

Janet- 11:02AM, "Did the lady give get name, because I think I know who it was."

Catherine- 1102AM, "It'd apparently someone at the farmers market. She called the cops and said reney did this to her own house and farm over a farm inspection bc reney used produce from somewhere ekse"

Catherine- 11:03AM, "There's a bunch of crazies on there insinuating it's some kid of scam that her and I are involved in. (Eye Roll Emoji)"

Catherine- 4:48PM, Catherine sent a photo (linked _media/unified_message_901164030609866.jpg) with the caption, "Is this farmers market lady". The picture is of Catherine's notifications on her phone that shows a friend request sent by "Mona Mary" who is Mona Shand.

Catherine- 4:59PM, "Neverending. She works for Elissa slotkin".

Janet- 5:57PM, "I don't know her, weird because Raney told me last night she talked to Elissa Slotkin and she said she was really kind?"

The conversation between them then goes into other matters and isn't applicable to this investigation.

CATHERINE COOKE CONVERSATION WITH NATALIE HULL 8/12/2021:

Catherine then has a conversation with Natalie Hull that begins before the incident but turns to asking about it on 8/12/2021 at 4:38PM when Natalie asks, "Why is that lady not taking the go fund me money?"

Catherine- 4:39PM, "Ugh. I. So stressed! So apparently a separate issue but she has some beef at the farmers market. And a lady there called the cops accusing them of doing the damage themselves and there's crazies posting on news fights its all a scam to get money"

Catherine- 4:40PM, "They didn't ask for it. A mom group I'm in wanted to help, my mom buys from these ppl every Sunday and I just wanted to help!"

Catherine- 4:40PM, "Now whmi and shit is emailing me for interviews."

Natalie- 4:40PM, "Oh my gosh that's awful. There's proof they never asked you offered to set it up. Why did the cops come"

Natalie- 4:41PM, "Maybe you should do the interview"

Catherine- 4:41PM, "I showed the police the messages. They were nice."

Catherine- 4:41PM, "It's very clear that myself and other moms did it to help..they didn't ask for it."

Natalie- 5:04PM, "So are they taking the money?"

Catherine- 5:05PM, "I've shut it off and started the process to refund. They are saying they don't want it now because of all this"

Natalie- 5:06PM, "Oh that's so sad."

Natalie- 6:06PM, "How awful"

Catherine- 5:06PM, "It is. They are not well off in any way and anything that wasn't needed to fix damages could have went into their small business"

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Natalie- 5:07PM, "People are just evil and I'm sick of it. I will go buy stuff from their farm and I hope others do to"

CATHERINE COOKE CONVERSATION WITH ADAM REY 8/11/2021:

On 8/11/2021 at 8:47AM Catherine sends the GoFundMe link to Adam Rey. She captioned it with, "Is your wife a reporter? You have a larger fb group than me"

Catherine- 8:48AM, "If you could help share!"

Catherine- 8:48AM, "Whmi re interviewed her this morning"

Adam- 8:50AM, "This is just horrible. I will share. Lindsey's job is "editor" currently but I'll pass it along."

Catherine- 8:53AM, "Thanks Adam! She is such a sweet woman who practically gives her shit away at the farmers market who interviewed with whmi last week on how harmful this whole ordeal is going to be for local farmers. Now she has crazies driving by her home calling her a queer lover and shit. (Angry Face Emoji)"

Adam- 9:23AM, "Assholes"

Catherine- 9:24AM, "She also works at [REDACTED] just to get by. I'm so pissed I'm ready to fight someone for her!"

Adam- 2:27PM, "Dude...you raised alot of money. Nice."

Adam- 2:28PM, "(Gold Medal Emojis)"

Catherine- 2:32PM, "I know! Happy for them. It's honestly probably more then they need but it will just go into the farm so whatever"

CATHERINE COOKE CONVERSATION WITH ASHLEY KEINATH 8/11/2021:

Ashley Keinath sent a picture to Catherine at 10:03AM on 8/11/2021

(linked_media/unified_message_354575622808195.jpg). The comment with it says, "We are scrubbing it now". The picture shows two women at the home, one power washing and the other scrubbing the graffiti.

Ashley- 10:03AM, "Let me make sure they are ok being in the pic"

Ashley 10:04AM, "They are"

Ashley- 10:04AM, "They are headed to the farm today"

Ashley- 10:04AM, "So they don't have farm pics yet"

Catherine- 10:04, "Thank you. What about the gate and greenhouse? Sometimes it helps to see the damage. I've already seen a couple annoying comments wondering why it's set for 10k over some graffiti. (Side Eye Emoji) not that it matters. We have enough supporters"

Catherine- 10:04, "Ok great. Thank you."

Ashley- 10:04AM, posted a sticker (linked_media/unified_message_369239263222822.png). It is a thumbs up.

Ashley- 10:05AM, "I'll let her know to share some"

Catherine- 10:05AM, "Thank you"

Ashley- 10:05AM, "Or if she's ok with me popping by to snap some"

Ashley- 10:05AM, "I'll keep you posted"

Catherine- 10:09AM, "Ok. Thank you! [REDACTED]"

[REDACTED] so I'm trying to do as much as I can for her online!"

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Catherine- 10:09AM, "Shes a friend of my moms and such a sweet lady."

Ashley- 10:10AM, "That's perfect!!"

Ashley- 10:11AM, "She said she will get some pics at some point"

CATHERINE CONVERSATION WITH MONA MARY (MONA SHAND) 8/12/2021:

Mona- 4:49PM, "Hi Catherine, I'm a friend of Renay's and I work for Congresswoman Elissa Slotkin. I'm heartbroken about what's happening with the Go Fund Me, and the jerks out there accusing you and Renay of being scammers. What is wrong with people???? Is Renay OK? I've tried to reach her a few times today. And looking at what you posted, is she NOT doing Melon Fest at all? Thank you for any insight you can provide!"

Catherine- 4:55PM, "Hi Mona. I'm honestly so frustrated and unsure as to why this went so south. As far as I know she is considering not attending farmers markets or Melon fest. Hopefully she changes her mind. I don't want to speak for her as to why they don't want to take the money but I'm assuming it's some of the comments I saw on whmi where ppl were saying it was a scam. [REDACTED]. Myself and other moms just wanted to help in any way we could!"

Mona- 4:56PM, "Ugh, I am so so sorry!!!! Thank you for the update and for all you are trying to do! If there's anything I can do that you think would be helpful, please let me know. People are horrible."

Catherine- 4:57PM, "I even put it on the go fund me they didn't ask for it. I made it and set the goal. I figured even if the damages weren't 10k the money would go to a struggling fam who could put it back into their business. I'm fed up with the racism here so when I saw this I just wanted to help!"

Mona- 4:57PM, "You did the right thing 100%!!!!"

Mona- 4:58PM, "Please don't blame yourself in ANY way for the bad behavior of some keyboard Warriors."

Catherine- 4:58PM, "Whmi wants to interview me. I just want to be careful on what I say so I'm not targeted by the racist Republicans out here. [REDACTED] so I am obviously concerned about any violence"

Catherine- 4:58PM, [REDACTED]

Mona- 4:59PM, "I hear you!!!"

Catherine- 5:00PM, "It's frustrating, this is how they keep winning. I mean I'm never quiet about my support of lgbtq/blm, I go to rallies and protests but with this being so public and my name it's just concerning."

Mona- 5:41PM, "I totally understand!! I can tell you, I used to work at WHMI and Jon King is the best in the business. He will not exploit you at all. Unfortunately, he doesn't have much control over the jerks who comment..."

Catherine- 5:48PM, "I just spoke with someone there. Kept it simple. Hopefully it clears things up"

Mona- 5:59PM, "Thank you for doing that!! Fingers crossed it helps."

CATHERINE CONVERSATION WITH DANNY HARRIS:

Catherine has a lengthy conversation with Danny Harris that is all unrelated to this investigation except where she shared the GoFundMe with him on 8/11/2021 at 10:42AM. Danny then sends her the second WHMI article that involved the fundraiser being shut down on 8/14/2021 at 1:47PM.

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There was no further content from Catherine Cooke's Facebook that pertained to this investigation. All property has been updated in RMS.

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On 9/13/2021, I reviewed the Facebook returns I received for Renay Gedeon.

RENAY GEDEON FACEBOOK RECORDS REVIEW:

All Facebook records are reported in UTC (Coordinated Universal Time) which is four hours ahead of EST (Eastern daylight Time). When times are referenced in this supplement, they will be in EST for clarity in keeping all times in our time zone. The warrant return is 1585 pages via a PDF document. I viewed the returns via the archive .html provided by Facebook. In this each post has a linked reference in the folder provided titled "linked_media".

RENAY GEDEON CONVERSATION WITH CATHERINE COOKE 8/11/2021:

Catherine- 7:51AM, "Hey Renay. I'm so upset for you! My mom is Janet in case you don't recognize the name. Has a go fund me been set up? If not, can I help you with that?"

Renay- 7:53AM, "I don't know how to do that"

Catherine- 7:55AM, "I can do it. I'll look into it right now."

Catherine- 8:10AM, GoFundMe page is shared to Renay. Catherine captions it with, "Let me know if you're okay with all the wording and I will start sharing with the masses!"

Renay- 8:11AM, "Ok"

Catherine 8:18AM, "I need your email to add you on it as the beneficiary"

Renay- 8:20AM, [REDACTED] "I don't have a bank account should I give you Mikes"

Catherine- 8:21AM, "Ok. I don't have to put in a bank account right away. So I'll get it out there and I'll get with you later today to do that."

Renay- 8:22AM, "Ok"

Catherine- 11:02AM, "Send me your address. I'll get ready and head out shortly so we can attach your bank account to go fund me. Once you can get the money, I'll get the paint and paint for you. I've been painting houses all summer with my dad and brother."

Catherine- 11:22AM, "I can come later today to if that's better I'm sure you are exhausted!"

Catherine- 3:39PM, Photo is sent (linked_media/unified_message_530270001422058.jpg). The picture is a screenshot of a message that Catherine received from a reporter wanting to get in contact with Renay and her family. Catherine captions it with, "I got this message from a local reporter wanting to talk to you. Her email and phone # are there."

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Catherine- 10:14AM, "Is everything okay?"

Renay- 10:23AM, "No can you call me [REDACTED]"

Catherine- 10:24AM, "Just tried. I'm calling from [REDACTED]"

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Catherine- 2:33PM, "Go fund me just sent a link to your husband's email"

Catherine- 2:33PM, "He needs to accept then I'm on live chat with them right now to refund"

Renay- 3:22PM, "Can you stop by today"

Catherine, 4:23PM, "Hey. I just saw this. Is everything okay? I'm dealing with a slight fam crisis right now lol. Always something."

Renay- 4:29PM, "No problem take of your family love you . Everything is ok"

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Renay- 3:47AM, "I'm so sorry the police came to your house today. I would never spray paint my house. I'm so sick over this. Now they are bothering you. I am sorry. I didn't want my house. spray painted. This so ridiculous. They aren't even looking for the lady drive by my house calling me names. I just can't take this."

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RENAY GEDEON AND JANET COOKE CONVERSATION 8/11/2021:

Janet- 5:20PM, "The community out pour for you guy's are amazing, there are still good hearted people out their. Pays to be good people, love. ya buddy!"

Renay- 5:22PM, "Love you!!!! Janet oh my gosh I can't take all money. Everyone is so awesome. Your daughter is wonderful (Various heart emojis)"

Janet- 5:24PM, "Oh yes you can sink it into cameras for both properties, fix the fence and whatever other repairs you need. I think she's awesome."

Renay- 5:24PM, "I just got off the phone with Alissa slotkin she is the best. Your family is incredible I love all of you"

Renay- 5:26PM, "Janet can you call me [REDACTED]"

Janet- 5:27PM, "I will in a bit just got home from work."

Renay- 5:27PM, "Ok"

Janet- 5:27PM, Janet posted a thumbs up sticker (linked_media/unified_message_369239343222814.png).

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Janet- 7:51AM, "Good morning I hope you and Mike got some much needed rest, today will be much better (Smiley face emoji)"

Renay- 7:54AM, "Thank you honey do you got power"

Renay- 7:55AM, "I think I died last night I ate a gummy bear and I melted lol"

Janet- 7:55AM, "Finally thank goodness! Lol funny (Smiley face emoji)"

Renay- 7:57AM, "Thank you to your daughter I just can't believe how many people like me and are helping us"

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Janet- 7:55AM, "Like I said it pays to be a good person it comes back 10 fould (Winking emoji)"

Janet- 10:42AM, "What's going on?"

Renay- 10:44AM, "Can you call me later"

Janet- 10:44AM, "yes, when should I call."

Renay- 10:45AM, "Like around 2"

Janet- 10:49AM, "ok"

Janet- 2:19PM, "Renay we got real busy at work someone had to leave I can call you when I get home."

Renay- 3:18PM, "Ok"

RENAY GEDEON CONVERSATION WITH CHRISTINA M. KAFKAKIS 8/4/2021:

Christina- 12:26PM, "The Livingston County Democrats asked me to reach out to see if you'd be interested in a go fund me since melon fest is not going on as originally planned"

Christina- 12:26PM, "They said you could donate melons to gleaners and they could put the donations from the go fund me to you"

Renay- 12:31PM, "I'm just going to see what happens tonight. I need people to come buy at markets we don't do this fun. I do it to make an honest living. I don't want a go fund page. Not to be mean I'm just sick and tired if everyone bitching and fighting and protesting this and because they can't get there way. Sorry love you Christina. I'm just pissed right now"

Christina- 12:36PM, "I can only imagine. A bunch of BS over men wearing drag"

Renay- 12:38PM, "I know it doesn't bother me. It's bringing money into the community. But what makes me mad is they will still get to have there event. We wont"

Renay- 12:40PM, "Miss all of you!!! Hugs to all of your beautiful family (Two heart emojis) Duane said it was so good to see you"

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Christina- 5:22PM, "Hey there. We are camping this weekend out west and I'd like to take some produce with me - can I come get some this evening or tomorrow morning? PS: please accept the go fund me donations. We did it in good faith"

Renay- 5:24PM, "Can you come by in the morning and I will explain"

Christina- 5:24PM, "Sure. What time is best?"

Reany- 5:24PM, "Anytime after 8"

Christina- 5:24PM, "What's your address?"

Reany- 5:24PM, [REDACTED]"

Christina- 5:25PM, "K. We will come after 8 :)"

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Reany- 8:13AM, "Christina what veggies did you want to get. I can get them ready for you"

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Christina- 8:02AM, "Melons if you have them. Zucchini? Cukes? Eggs?"

Renay- 8:03AM, "I have 1 melon, and small zucchini, and I will get you a dozen eggs ready"

Christina- 8:04AM, "Perfect! Thank you!"

Renay- 8:04AM, "I just need to make some coffee first"

Christina- 8:13AM, "I'm not headed over just yet. Lol"

Christina- 10:01AM, "Trying to get things packed!"

Renay- 1:59PM, "I'm going to put your stuff in the house. Call me when you get here"

Christina- 2:15PM, "Sorry. We are still packing. Nick had to work this am :("

Renay- 2:18PM, "No problem when ever"

Christina- 2:34PM, "I'm sorry. We aren't going to make it by"

Renay- 2:35PM, "That's ok"

Christina, 3:05PM, "I'll come by next week!"

RENAY GEDEON CONVERSATION WITH SHAWN MCGINLEY HOWELL 8/13/2021:

Shawn- 3:36PM, "I just read the recent article on whmi. I am so sorry you've experienced negative backlash. UGH! Just please focus on how many of us want to help you....there are WAY more good people here than bad. I support you."

Renay- 3:40PM, "Thank you Shawn I'm have a yard sale at my house this weekend 10-6 selling my produce and junk. I can barely get off the couch. But I don't want to leave my house"

Shawn- 5:43PM, "I'll try to stop by! Take good care of yourself. You've been through a lot."

RENAY GEDEON CONVERSATION WITH MONA SHAND 8/11/2021:

Renay- 10:44PM, "Mona call me emergency"

Mona- 7:04AM, "Omg!!!! I just saw your post!!!"

Renay- 7:07AM, "Sorry I messaged you so late last night I was home alone didn't really know what to do"

Mona- 7:08AM, "I am so, so sorry- I spent the night at my mom's house and didn't take my phone."

Mona- 7:14AM, "Elissa is in CO. I will talk to her as soon as she is awake. We need to report this to the FBI and state police- this is domestic terrorism"

Renay- 7:20AM, "I just gotta lay down for a bit, [REDACTED] I've been up all night"

Mona- 7:20AM, "Yes! Please rest. That's the most important thing you can do in this very moment."

Renay- 8:15AM, Posted a thumbs up emoji.

Mona- 9:47AM, "Let me know when you can talk."

Mona- 1:17PM, "I'm going to throw a bunch of stuff at you so you have it in writing... 1. Please report this to the FBI's hate crime hotline. 1-800-CALL-FBI. 2. Also report to the Michigan Attorney General's hate crime hotline: 313-456-0200. 3. Elissa is going to try to call you around 2:15pm. I'd love to connect with you before that if possible!"

Renay- 2:04PM, "Hi Mona I'm awake"

Mona- 2:06PM, "Hi- can i give you a quick call?"

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Renay- 2:06PM, "Yes"

Mona- 5:20PM, "Can you send me your home address? Elissa asked me to get it for her. :-)"

Renay- 5:25PM, "[REDACTED]"

Mona- 5:25PM, "Thank you!"

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Mona- 10:33AM, "Just checking in- how are you doing?"

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Renay- 8:12AM, "Mona I'm not going to the markets this weekend. People think we did this to ourselves, I could never. I didn't want money, I should have put this on Facebook or spoke out on anything. Mike and I are sick of it. I can hardly function."

Renay- 8:13AM, "Shouldn't"

Renay- 8:14AM, "A car door, or someone speeding by and I'm jumping up to see who it is."

Renay- 8:15AM, "I could never do this to anyone, let alone myself. All of this is too much"

Mona- 9:50AM, "Oh, Renay! My heart is breaking. Please, please, please reconsider. I'm saying this as someone who knows EXACTLY what it feels like to be the target of online attacks. I know it feels so awful, and no one with even HALF a brain thinks you could have done this. No one who knows you thinks you could have done this!!!! Do you see how every time one of those trolls posts something, there are people standing up to it? These are keyboard warriors who live in their basements and don't have the courage to step out of their homes. Please, please, please don't let them have the last word! If you come to the markets, I promise you will be surrounded by love and support. I promise it! And you will feel SO much better."

Mona- 10:07AM, "A few nasty people can sound like a crowd because they're so noisy, but they do NOT speak for the majority here! Elissa gets called the worst things I've ever heard online- I've had to look some of the words up because I don't even know what they mean! And then they have come after me as well because I work for her."

Renay- 10:36AM, "The green oak asked Mike and I yesterday if we did this to ourselves. I just started crying. Who could even ask to me. I can't even think right. They were like did you see were the go fund me page is at. they even went to Lianne house and questioned her about the go fund me page. We didn't even know about the go fund or what was started until after it was already started. Money is not a huge goal for us. I would like some but not a priority. We are just not that way. I'm going to have a yard sale this weekend with some produce and some junk that needed to go to salvation army. My nerves are shot."

Mona- 10:37AM, "They have to ask that- it's part of the investigation!!! Please don't let that be the reason."

Mona- 10:46AM, "Honestly, it looks worse if you hide. I am telling you this as a friend and I promise you will have support!"

Renay- 10:48AM, "I know I told Coleen we would be back next weekend we are just heart sick. I think I'm just exhausted"

Mona- 10:49AM, "I get it...but I think this would help heal you. I really do. I won't push any more than that, but I will also say that when things like this happen, it hurts the entire community and the community wants to give

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you that money so we too can heal."

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Mona- 3:32PM, "Hi friend- just checking in on you. How are you feeling?"

Renay- 4:13PM, "Hey do you have time to talk"

Mona- 5:20PM, "Sorry- I was in a meeting. You can call me if you are free- I am driving."

RENAY GEDEON CONVERSATION WITH "MG BUEHRLIN" 8/13/2021:

MG- 9:59AM, "Hi Renay, my husband and I would be happy to set up a time to come out and walk your property and give you our security camera recommendations. Weekends are best for us - do you have any time available in your schedule?"

Renay- 6:16PM, "Tomorrow and Sunday we will be home [REDACTED]"

Renay- 6:17PM, "[REDACTED]"

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MG- 8:52AM, "Does tomorrow morning work for you guys? Around 10?"

Renay- 8:56AM, "Yes please"

Renay- 8:56AM, "We haven't really left the house since this happened"

MG- 9:02AM, "Ok great! I'll text you when we are on our way"

MG- 9:10AM, "We'll do a walk around and see what you need, then we can order the cameras and we'll have our guys come and install them (Thumbs up emoji)"

Renay- 9:12AM, "MG thank you so much. I can't tell you how thankful we are."

MG- 11:23AM, "You are very welcome!"

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MG- 3:51PM, "Hi Renay, it took Joel a little longer to find a camera that would work without the internet, but he should be over there around 4:30 if that works for you"

Renay- 3:52PM, "That's fine"

Renay- 6:23PM, "Thank you to you and your awesome husband I'm going to be able to sleep tonight.and not have to worry when Mike's not here at night. Thank you!!j!!!!"

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MG- 8:30PM, "You are so very welcome!!"

RENAY GEDEON CONVERSATION WITH JAYA YACKS 7/30/2021:

Jaya- 10:43PM, "Hello!"

Renay- 10:43PM, "Hey lady (Crying emoji)"

Jaya- 10:43PM, "I'm going to try and come see you Sunday at market but we are leaving at 1 to go to gladwin

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family trip!"

Jaya- 10:44PM, "Why the sad face?"

Renay- 10:44PM, "The stupid city of Howell might be cancelling melon fest"

Jaya- 10:44PM, "Why!"

Renay- 10:45PM, "Because of all the drag queen drama"

Jaya- 10:45PM, "They had fowlerville fair and there was no covid regulations in place. Why would they cancel melon fest it's not nearly as populated"

Renay- 10:45PM, "I know right"

Jaya- 11:20PM, Sent a video (linked_media/unified_message_635612340745686.mp4) which is two people wearing overalls walking.

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Jaya- 10:43AM, Sent 5 pictures (linked_media/unified_message_1165367510670010.jpg, linked_media/unified_message_233382951974607.jpg, linked_media/unified_message_202213175093609.jpg, linked_media/unified_message_2860464734221231.jpg, linked_media/unified_message_283035806949955.jpg) which were all pictures of the same two people who were in the video walking together.

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Renay- 9:42AM, "Hi girl miss you"

Jaya- 9:43AM, "I went to go see you at farmers market yesterday but you weren't there!"

Renay- 9:44AM, "Yes we got our house vandalized on Tuesday night"

Jaya- 9:44AM, "What! What did they do?"

Renay- 9:45AM, "Spray painted all over our house KKK, queer" It should be noted that "queer" was not actually spelled out on the house, it was "QUE".

Jaya- 9:46AM, "That's rediculous. Probably stupid teenagers. (Eye roll emji) did you see anything? Police do anything?"

Renay- 9:47AM, "No, the police came made a report nothing yet. So I was a little afraid about going to market"

Jaya- 9:50AM, "Did they hit any other houses?"

Renay- 9:52AM, "No we think we were targeted. I was on the radio last about melon fest, and drag queen bingo."

Jaya- 9:53AM, "Oh. But why the KKK"

Renay- 9:54AM, "We don't know that's what I said"

Jaya- 10:06AM, "That's weird."

Renay- 10:08AM, "It's was a long week but I have cameras now so I finally slept last night"

The conversation then continues about unrelated topics.

RENAY GEDEON CONVERSATION WITH RICKI SCHULTE WINES 8/12/2021:

Ricki- 11:28AM, "Hey sweetie, i just heard about what happen to you and your family. Im so so sorry are world has become such a horrible place. You would give the shirt off your back to someone. Let us know if there is

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anything we can do to help."

Renay- 11:32AM, "Thank you just scary. So freaked out by everything"

Ricki- 11:48AM, "I bet.... i dont understand why they would have written kkk and que i dont get it at all."

Renay- 11:48AM, "Me too"

MIKE DETMER ATTEMPT TO CONTACT RENAY GEDEON 8/11/2021:

Mike- 11:41AM, "Renay, please give me a call on my personal cell [REDACTED]"

It is unknown if any phone call ever took place.

RENAY GEDEON CONVERSTION WITH KAY PIKE 8/11/2021:

Kay- 11:13AM, "Good morning! I am a reporter with the Livingston Daily. I am so sorry to hear about the damage to your property. Would you be able to talk with me about what happened?"

Kay- 12:11PM, "If you are willing you can reach me on my cell phone at [REDACTED] or email: kdaugherty@livingstondaily.com"

Kay- 1:56PM, "So sorry to bother you again. I forgot to ask, can we use the photos you posted to your facebook?"

Renay- 1:58PM, "Yes that's fine"

Kay- 1:59PM, "Thank you! And thank you again for speaking with me. almost \$5,000 raised with the gofundme, the community supports you!"

RANDY WIMBLEY ATTEMPTS CONTACT WITH RENAY GEDEON:

Randy- 2:47pm, "Hi Renay, I'm Randy Wimbley from FOX2 News. I'm so sorry to hear about what happened. Would you and your husband be willing to do an interview today? [REDACTED]"

It is unknown if a call or interview took place.

TRACY HOOK TRUPIANO ATTEMPTS CONTACT WITH RENAY GEDEON 8/11/2021:

Tracy- 7:56PM, "I am so so sorry about what happened to you and your family. I hope all of our donations help you to fix/replace what was destroyed and lost. So many hugs to you and your family. (Heart emoji) . Please let us know if there is more we can do to help outside of donating to your gofundme (double heart emoji)"

RENAY GEDEON CONVERSATION WITH ERIN ELIZABETH MCGOWAN 8/11/2021:

Erin- 9:31AM, "Renay- I am so sorry about your farm. I'm reaching out to see if you need anything. I'd be happy to help. Also- I would love to bring you some flowers to spread joy and kindness in this awful world. Where is your farm and I can bring you some :)"

Renay- 2:32PM, "[REDACTED]"

RENAY GEDEON CONVERSATION WITH LISA ARMSTRONG 8/12/2021:

Lisa- 12:03PM, "Hey Lady, I saw what happened to your house; I'm so sorry that people are so ignorant!! I also saw your post about not taking any money from the go fund me...you should take it!! The money is from people who disagree with the idiots who are racist, homophobic etc. Its a way to voice their opinion and also to help you

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deal with what these idiots did."

Renay- 12:05PM, "Call me later and will explain"

Lisa- 12:05PM, "K, will do"

RENAY GEDEON CONVERSATION WITH STACY FARRELL 8/11/2021:

Stacy- 7:01AM, "My son and I are coming over to remove those words from your home. No need for you to to anything, we have supplies- you can rest"

Stacy- 7:04AM, "We just need the address"

Renay- 7:05AM, "The garage got done this morning by my son and husband and hubby put a tarp on the side of the house."

Renay- 7:06AM, "[REDACTED] I wanted to paint the house just not because of this"

Stacy- 7:06AM, "Do you have all the pics you need? For insurance and stuff? We are on our way"

Renay- 7:09AM, "Yes the green oak police made a report"

RENAY GEDEON CONVERSATION WITH MARIA TOLOT STUART 8/11/2021:

Maria- 7:15AM, "This is Maria Stuart from The Livingston Post. I've got the pics of the terrible damage at your place. I am so sorry for you. I'd like to do a story about it for my news site. Is there a good way to get in touch with you for an interview?"

Renay- 7:18AM, "I've been up all night and [REDACTED] I just gotta get a nap. Can I message you in an hour or so"

Maria- 7:18AM, "Yes. I am here working all day."

RENAY GEDEON CONVERATION WITH RYAN PONIEWIERSKI 8/11/2021:

Ryan- 8:12AM, "Hi Renay- I am so sorry to hear about this vandalism. If you and Mike need any help or anything at all "Please" do not hesitate to reach out."

Ryan- 8:15AM, "Here's my Number [REDACTED] if you need anything just call."

RENAY GEDEON CONVERSATIO WITH TYLER SCHMIESING 8/11/2021:

Tyler- 8:20AM, "Hey Renay, I know you don't know me, and quite frankly wouldn't blame you for not responding given what happened to your house. If there is anything that my family can do to help, let me know. No one deserves to have their home vandalized like that"

Renay- 8:32AM, "Thank you"

Tyler- 8:35AM, "No problem. This whole thing is nuts."

LISA TAM ATTEMPTS CONTACT WITH RENAY GEDEON 8/11/2021:

Lisa- 9:03AM, "Good morning, Renay. You and I have not met, with exception of our possibly purchasing items at the market. I have no words...I keep typing and back spacing. Our hearts are with you, your family and your livelihood."

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AMANDA PANDA CANFIELD ATTEMPTS CONTACT WITH RENAY GEDEON 8/11/2021:

Amanda- 8:16AM, "Hey it's Amanda the dog treat lady from Farmers market (I have the tent next to Alyson) I seen your post about the vandalizing and if you would like some help cleaning up me and my son are going to be out running errands this morning in a little and we could come by and help. I'm sorry that happened and I shared your post."

NICOLE STROPKAI ATTEMPS CONTACT WITH RENAY GEDEON 8/11/2021:

Nicole- 10:12AM, "So sorry your home was vandalized. I hope you find who it was. Farmers have been hit so hard and people really suck! So so sorry"

RENAY GEDEON CONVERSATION WITH RENEE CHODKOWSKI 8/2/2011:

Renay- 10:37AM, "Did you hear me on radio this morning"

Renee- 4:28PM, "What? No! We're in Virginia at tennis tournament, how can I hear it???"

Renay- 4:29PM, "It might be on there web page"

Renee- 4:31PM, "I'm looking now!"

Renee- 4:46PM, "Just listened! The whole thing is nuts! Did you reach out to whmi or did they find you?"

Renee- 4:52PM, "I wrote to the people I know to keep it no matter what"

Renay- 5:07PM, "Jon king called me"

Renee- 5:10PM, "That's great and made lots of sense. Great job!"

Renay- 5:11PM, "Thank you I was nervous but the guys were really nice"

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Renee- 10:53AM, Sends a thumbs up emoji.

RENAY GEDEON CONVERSATION WITH AMY HILSCHER 7/31/2021:

Amy- 9:21PM, "Hi Renay, I commented on your earlier post on Cool Moms about more information on melons...I am serious, I will buy enough melons for all my friends and family and neighbors. If you could give me more information I am interested in getting about \$100 worth of melons whenever they are ready ...to support you in light of recent news (Heart emoji)"

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Renay, 10:05AM, "Hopefully I sounded ok on the radio this morning"

RENAY GEDEON CONVERSATION WITH CANDY JONES-GUERIN 7/31/2021:

Candy- 9:55AM, "Yes, absolutely. Give her my email; [REDACTED]"

Candy- 9:56AM, "If you email Jon King he would be interested in talking to you about what the impact of this decision would be on you and your farm."

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Renay- 10:04AM, "Did you hear me on the radio hopefully I sounded ok"

Candy- 10:05AM, "I didn't! But I'm going to listen for replays now! That's awesome! I am working with some of the downtown business who are going to step forward as well. I'm sure you did awesome!"

Renay- 10:06AM, "Thank you for your help"

Candy- 10:06AM, "Absolutely, just doing what is right and using the connections I have to help where I can (Double heart emoji)"

Candy- 10:13AM, "Jon just sent me a note and said you did awesome!"

Renay- 10:15AM, "I have had a lot of phone call this morning thank you (Heart emoji)"

Candy- 10:15AM, "Let me know if you need any support, happy to help."

COOL MOMS OF LIVINGSTON COUNTY GROUP POSTS BY RENAY GEDEON:

7/30/2021

Renay- 10:28PM, "Well I'm going to rant here a minute. 1st I'm a local farmer that made it thru the pandemic, got vaccinated wore my mask, and now because of more political bullshit, I lose the biggest part of my summer income the melon fest I'm sorry but when the fuck does my life matter?"

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Renay- 9:50AM, "Well I was on the radio with Mike and Jon this morning did anyone here me!!!!!!?"

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Renay- 2:07AM, "Well ladies this what happened at my house tonight. And they got out at the farm too. My husband I don't have alot what we do have is ours. I'm so heart broken right I can't breathe. My gat at the farm was plowed down like a train came threw. I'm sick we picked 2 bins of melons today thank God my landlord took them up to the barn half my greenhouse is down. I'm devastated" She also posted 3 pictures:

linked_media/group_message_1124657864725149.jpg

linked_media/group_message_1124657821391820.jpg

linked_media/group_message_1124658011391801.jpg

All are the pictures of her home and garage door where it was spray painted.

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Renay- 7:23AM, "Ladies of this cool mom group I just want to thank you. You all have made me feel like I truly have some great friends I'm so lucky to have all of you in my life. I'm having a yard sale at my house today and tomorrow 10-6pm. I would love to see anyone that would like to stop by."

WALL POST FROM CATHERINE COOKE TO RENAY GEDEON'S WALL:

Catherine- 9:35AM, "Please share and donate if you can. Let's help this family out.

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/help-for-gedeons-farms?>

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utm_source=facebook&utm_medium=social&utm_campaign=p_cf+share-flow-l"

REANY GEDEON FACEBOOK POSTS (STATUS UPDATES):

Renay- 1:07AM, "Whoever did this to my house and my farm we will find out who you are!!!! My husband and I don't deserve this. We work hard for what we have. This is killing me right now. If I find out this is about me being on the radio having a voice to save Melon fest. To try and get people to understand that it wasn't about them being a democratic or a republican. It was about our community. Our farmers and businesses losing money this last year with pandemic. Well I'm sitting here crying at a crushed melon." This is the same post that screenshots were already taken of before the warrant was submitted to Facebook.

911 TAPE RECEIVED:

Chief Pless obtained a copy of the 911 call that Renay Gedeon placed the night of the incident. It will be sent to LCP on a disc with all Facebook Return information.

DISPOSITION:

Open. Pending warrant information for Adyen Inc. Supplement to be forwarded to LCP with Facebook information and 911 call.

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Officer Alicia Montes #23
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Date / Time: *09/14/2021 16:24:56, Tuesday*

Supervisor: *RIDDLE, L. A. (90004)*

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DVD WITH 911 CALL AND FACEBOOK RECORDS OF COOKE AND GEDEON

2 COPIES TO LCP

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Date / Time: *10/09/2021 10:55:50, Saturday*

Supervisor: *JAIN, M. V. (00023)*

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On 10/8/2021, I received the warrant return information from Adyen. The returns show that there are no linked accounts. The account status is open but payouts are blocked. There is no money in the account or transactions made.

DISPOSITION:

Open. Supplement and Adyen information sent to LCP for charging determination.

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Officer Alicia Montes #23
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Date / Time: *01/20/2022 09:30:51, Thursday*

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UPDATE:

This office was advised, via LCP (Kay Latson), that APA Carolyn Henry is still reviewing this case for charges.

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Date / Time: *02/16/2022 14:13:46, Wednesday*

Supervisor: *FITZGERALD, K. A. (90001)*

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Reference: *Supplement*

CHARGE AUTHORIZED:

This office was notified, via LCP, that the charge of Attempted False Pretenses of \$1,000.00 or more, but less than \$20,000.00 on Renay Lynn Gedeon, in reference to this case, has been authorized.

CTN: 47-21001760-01

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Investigator Signature

Supervisor Signature

CASE SUPPLEMENTAL REPORT

Printed: 03/20/2025 09:00

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OCA: **2100911**

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Case Status: *CLOSED BY ARREST*

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Occurred: *08/10/2021*

Offense: *FRAUD - FALSE PRETENSE / SWINDLE / CONFIDENCE GAME*

Investigator: *FITZGERALD, K. A. (90001)*

Date / Time: *06/02/2022 13:14:15, Thursday*

Supervisor: *FITZGERALD, K. A. (90001)*

Supervisor Review Date / Time: *06/02/2022 13:14:19, Thursday*

Contact:

Reference: *Supplement*

DISPOSITION:

Per disposed case sheet, dated June 1, 2022, on May 31, 2022 Renay Lynn Gedeon pled Guilty to False Report of a Misdemeanor, in reference to this case. She was ordered to pay fines and costs of \$775.00.

CTN: 47-2100176001

DISPOSITION: CLOSED

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Investigator Signature

Supervisor Signature

Michael Gedeon



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Summary

Accounts

Created on

Aug 11, 2021

Current Balance

Pending Balance

Total payout

Total processed

Tier

#2: (USD 750.00 - USD 4,999.99)

E-mail

[REDACTED]

Upcoming deadline

Oct 10, 2021

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Account Holder Operations

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Individual

Personal Details

Full name

Michael Gedeon

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"Disheartening" Backlash Prompts Cancellation Of Fundraiser

August 13, 2021

By Jessica Mathews / news@whmi.com

The organizer of a fundraiser to help out local farmer whose home was targeted with racist graffiti for speaking out against intolerance says negative backlash has led to it being shut down.

Renay Gedeon and her husband who own Gedeon Farms in Green Oak Township had their home vandalized Tuesday night with racist graffiti. The words "Que" and "KKK" were spray-painted on the side of her home and on the garage door, along with other vandalism. Gedeon said she's convinced that the attack was directly related to her interview on WHMI last week in which she said the cancellation of Howell's Melonfest had unnecessarily become a political issue due to the planned, but later cancelled, Drag Queen Bingo event.

After word spread, Lianne Cooke and a group of other local moms came together and wanted to help out the family so they sent people over to try and remove the racist graffiti and also started a GoFundMe account. Since then, Cooke says people on social media and elsewhere have accused



the family of damaging their own property and called the fundraiser a scam. After all of the negative comments being posted, Cooke says the family is incredibly hurt and upset and doesn't want to accept the money so she shut down the fundraiser.

Cooke stressed the family never asked for any money; they're just a group of local moms trying to help. She says Sherwin Williams donated paint and another mom is reportedly donating security systems. Cooke said if more money was raised than the cost of damages via the fundraiser, her thought was they're a struggling local farming business that barely made it through a pandemic and could probably put the extra money into the farm or use it for other bills and costs or maybe even take a day off and not have to worry.



Cooke told WHMI there was nothing shady about the fundraiser and she truly believes that those who donated were more or less donating to say they support local farmers and won't stand for this kind of racism in Livingston County - adding everything has been very disheartening.

Cooke added that she feels the big picture is also getting missed in all of this. She said the family had "KKK" and racist slogans spray-painted on their house – which is very scary and not ok and she doesn't know why that's being overlooked. Cooke commented further that Livingston County and Howell specifically keep trying to say it's not racist out here anymore and want to bring in more diverse crowds but questioned why people would believe that it has changed or even want to come out here when things like this are still happening.

Cooke said no bank account had been set up yet for the funds and she's in the process of talking with GoFundMe to get everyone refunds. She noted that some people don't want their money back and still want to support the family so that will likely have to be done privately.

A link to the account is provided.

Web Link:

<https://www.gofundme.com/f/help-for-gedeons-farms?...>

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Local Farmer's Home Vandalized With Racist Graffiti

August 11, 2021

By Jon King / jking@whmi.com.

Renay Gedeon and her husband, owners of Gedeon Farms in Green Oak Township, say their home was vandalized Tuesday night with spray-painted racist graffiti left behind.

Pictures posted to social media by Gedeon show the words "Que" and "KKK" spray-painted on the side of her home and on the garage door. There was also reportedly damage to a fence. Gedeon tells WHMI that she had come home from work last night and when she went to take a shower, her two dogs began barking loudly. When she went outside to investigate, she says she found the graffiti.

Gedeon says she is convinced that the attack is directly related to [her interview on WHMI last week](#) in which she said the pending cancellation of Howell's Melonfest had unnecessarily become a political issue due to a planned, but now cancelled, Drag Queen Bingo event.

The sold-out, adults-only event was in part made into a point of conflict after Meghan Reckling, the Chair of the Livingston County Republican Party posted to social media her



opinion that the event didn't fit with the family-friendly nature of the festival and was not something that should be "sexualized."

At the time, [Gedeon said](#) the "so-called controversy" seemed to be much ado about nothing and that while at first she wasn't sure a Drag Queen show made sense, she soon changed her mind. "...then I look at it in my own perspective. It's bringing money into our community. I mean it sold out in a day I heard. It doesn't bother me. To get back to normal, we have to be smart about everything and I think our community is lacking in that."



[Speaking this morning on WHMI](#), Gedeon said that since her interview last week she had received many positive reactions, but also some negative ones. Gedeon said at least three times in the last week, including last night before the vandalism, a woman had driven by her house shouting homophobic slurs. She has no doubts that it was no coincidence her house was targeted. "The house across the street from me is empty. They could have very easily hit that house."

Gedeon says she contacted Green Oak Township Police, who came out Tuesday night to take a report. Chief Jason Pless told WHMI that at this point they "have no suspect(s) and the investigation remains open. Anyone with suspect information or additional information about this incident is asked to contact our agency." The number for Green Oak Township Police is (810) 231-9626.

For Gedeon, however, the damage has been done, both literally and figuratively. "I'm devastated...I can't believe someone would do this to my house."

Meanwhile, a customer of Gedeon Farms has created a GoFundMe page to raise money for the couple. That link is below.

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