

# Ohio State Highway Patrol

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### **Patrol releases video and sound bites from officers involved in saving man from house fire**

COLUMBUS – The Ohio State Highway Patrol released a video and several sound bites of Tpr. Anthony Pearcy, of the Patrol, and Officer George Baker, of the Mt. Orab Police Department, regarding an incident in which the officers were involved in pulling a man from a burning trailer on Hess Road in Brown County on May 8.

The video and sound bites are part of a new Patrol training program dubbed “iTrooper” that was created to give real life stories of troopers in the field. Through the use of audio or video interviews, combined with in-car video, case photographs and other multi-media visuals, officers describe in their own words what they experienced. The video and sound bites are available for download at [www.statepatrol.ohio.gov](http://www.statepatrol.ohio.gov).

On May 8, Tpr. Pearcy was on regular Patrol when he was flagged down by a Mt. Orab Police Officer in-route to an active fire. Upon arriving at the residence, officers pulled the wheelchair-bound man from an area near the door, as oxygen tanks exploded near-by in the trailer. A neighbor and a roommate of the man had managed to get him out of his wheelchair and moved him near the doorway before being overcome by smoke.

After the officers moved the man a safe distance from the residence, Fire and EMS personnel arrived on-scene and Med-Flight was called to air-lift the gentleman to the hospital. If it had not been for the actions of these officers, the victim would have sustained serious or life-threatening injuries.

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