



Phoenix Police Department
Public Affairs Bureau
620 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85003



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: December 22, 2025, around 8:14 a.m.
Incident: 2025-1825980
Location: 4700 East Shea Boulevard
Victim: Zachary Ray Hostetler, 36-year-old, deceased

Man Found Dead Now Ruled Homicide

(December 23, 2025) Phoenix Police detectives are investigating a man's death, that as of today is considered to be a homicide.

On December 22, 2025, at around 8:15 a.m., officers responded to the area of 47th Street and Shea Boulevard regarding an injured person call. When officers arrived, they found an adult male, identified as 36-year-old Zachary Hostetler. Hostetler did not survive and was pronounced deceased at the scene.

Phoenix Police Homicide Detectives responded to assume the investigation. The Office of the Medical Examiner conducted a postmortem examination which resulted in the death being ruled a homicide. Additional details related to this incident remain part of the ongoing investigation. Anyone with information is asked to call Silent Witness at 480(WITNESS) or 480(TESTIGO) and provide an anonymous tip. Rewards will be paid for information leading to an arrest in this case.

Sergeant Rob Scherer
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