



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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: February 28, 2024, just before 6:15 p.m.
Incident: 2024-300400
Location: 200 South 24th Street
Victim: Zykell-Amani Woodard, 23-year-old male, deceased

Man Dead After Motel Confrontation

(February 29, 2024): One man is dead after a fight erupted in a central Phoenix motel. The suspect involved was detained but later released pending further investigation.

Officers were called to an unknown trouble at a motel near 24th and Jackson Streets just before 6:15 p.m. When officers arrived, they found a man, later identified as 23-year-old Zykell-Amani Woodard, suffering from a gunshot wound. The fire department responded to treat Woodard and transported him to the hospital where he later died.

Officers learned the suspect left on foot and they immediately began following leads. The suspect was found nearby and detained.

Detectives responded to investigate the incident. During their initial investigation, detectives learned both men were involved in a verbal argument prior to the shooting. The suspect shot Woodard and left before police arrived. The suspect participated in an interview and provided a self-defense claim. He was later released.

A charging decision will be made at the completion of the investigation.

Sergeant Phil Krynsky
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