



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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: September 9, 2023, at about 5:00 a.m.
Incident: 2023-1374894
Location: 20 West Illini Street
Victim: Bobby Thomas, 43-year-old, Deceased

Homicide Investigation

(September 10, 2023) Detectives responded to the area of Central Avenue and Illini Street to investigate a shooting death that happened early Saturday morning.

On September 9, 2023, at about 5:00 a.m., officers responded to reports of shots fired near 20 West Illini Street. When officers got to the area, they found a man suffering from an apparent gunshot wound. The victim was taken to the hospital by Phoenix Fire where he was pronounced deceased by medical staff. Patrol officers had detained several individuals in the area which detectives were able to speak with.

Homicide detectives responded to the scene and took over the investigation. It was learned from witnesses, that the victim had pulled out a handgun and pointed it at a woman. This led to an unknown person shooting the victim. Details leading up to the incident remains under investigation as evidence continues to be collected and analyzed. Anyone with information regarding this case is encouraged to call 480-WITNESS or 480-TESTIGO to provide an anonymous tip.

Sergeant Brian Bower
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