



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



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# MEDIA ADVISORY

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**Date/Time:** April 10, 2023 at about 11:28 a.m.  
**Incident:** 2023-534372  
**Location:** 6500 West Cocopah Street  
**Victim:** Adult male, deceased

## **In Custody Death Investigation**

(April 11, 2023) Phoenix Police are investigating the death of an adult man while in police custody.

Just before 11:30 a.m. on Monday April 10, 2023, officers responded to a neighborhood near 6500 West Cocopah Street for a call of a theft. Witnesses reported a man was acting erratic, walking into an open garage, grabbing property and throwing himself to the ground.

The man walked away from that home and towards another home. A Phoenix sergeant was the first to arrive. He located the man matching the description who was found lying down in the front yard of a home. The sergeant removed a metal object from the man's hand and handcuffed him with his hands in front. The Phoenix Fire Department was called to evaluate the man's condition.

When paramedics arrived, an officer removed the man's handcuffs. The man was transported to a local hospital, where he was pronounced deceased.

The cause and manner of death will be determined by the Office of the Medical Examiner. The actions of the officers will be the subject of an internal and criminal investigation.