

## **Phoenix Police Department**

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



## MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: August 19, 2024, around 8:00 p.m.

Incident: 2024-1221879

Location: 4000 North 16<sup>th</sup> Street

Victim: Efren Partida, 34-year-old male, deceased

Suspect: Christopher Rhodd, 36-year-old, booked into MCSO G122671

UPDATE: August 24, 2024

After being released from the hospital on August 23, 2024, 36-year-old Christopher Rhodd was booked into jail for 2nd degree murder.

UPDATE: August 21, 2024

The deceased victim in this case has been identified as 34-year-old Efren Partida. The other man in the hospital continues to recover at the hospital. This case remains active.

## A Knife Fight Turns Deadly

(August 20, 2024): Detectives are piecing together evidence from a fight involving knives that left one man dead and another fighting for his life in the hospital.

Officers were called to a stabbing near 16<sup>th</sup> Street and Indian School Road around 8:00 p.m. When officers arrived, they found a man suffering from a stab wound. The man was rushed to the hospital where he died from his injuries. Officers detained two individuals on scene that were believed to be involved in the fight.

As homicide investigators were responding to the scene, they learned a man walked into a nearby hospital with stab wounds. The man is currently listed in critical but stable condition. Detectives were able to link the man to the original scene. Preliminary information suggests both victims were in a verbal argument near a convenience store that turned physical. Both men pulled out knives during the fight that resulted in their injuries.

Detectives will interview the surviving victim once he recovers. The identity of the deceased victim will be released once next of kin notifications are made. The case remains active.

Sergeant Phil Krynsky

