



**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:** December 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 11:00 p.m.  
**Incident:** 2021-1988053  
**Incident:** 1800 North 45<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
**Victim:** Airam Melo, 33 year old female, deceased  
**Suspect:** Brayán Ortez García, 26 year old male, arrested T747844

## Homicide Investigation

Phoenix police are investigating a homicide that occurred in the area of 1800 North 45<sup>th</sup> Avenue. Officers were called to the area on December 22<sup>nd</sup> and discovered a woman identified as Airam Melo who had been stabbed. Melo was pronounced deceased on scene by the Phoenix Fire Department. During the course of the investigation, Detectives were able to obtain probable cause to arrest the romantic partner of the victim, identified as Brayán Ortez García. He was booked into the Maricopa County Jail. At this time the investigation is ongoing.

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