



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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: December 18, 2023, 11:05 a.m.
Incident: 2023-1895854
Locations: 27th Avenue and Deer Valley Road
23rd Avenue and Utopia Road
Victims: Sage Fitz, 49-year-old female, deceased
Carmen Buscemi, 62-year-old male, deceased
Baynen Fitz, 12-year-old male, deceased
Suspect: Bryan Fitz, 53-year-old male, deceased

UPDATE: December 19, 2023

The victims in the shooting at 27th Avenue and Deer Valley Road have been identified as 49-year-old Sage Fitz and 62-year-old Carmen Buscemi. The shooting victim at 23rd Avenue and Utopia Road has been identified as 12-year-old Baynen Fitz. The suspect has been identified as 53-year-old Bryan Fitz.

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Murder-Suicide in North Phoenix Leaves Four Dead

(December 18, 2023) Detectives are piecing together two shooting scenes where a man shoots and kills his estranged wife and another man; at his home officers find his teenaged son deceased, and the suspect dead from a self-inflicted gunshot wound.

Just after 11:00 a.m., Phoenix police officers were called to a shooting call at a commercial business area near 27th Avenue and Deer Valley Road. When officers arrived, they found a man and a woman suffering from gunshot wounds. The fire department responded and provided medical aid to the man, but he died from his injuries on scene. The woman was rushed to the hospital where she also died from her injuries.

Patrol officers and responding detectives quickly began speaking to witnesses and developing information on the suspect. An address linked to the suspect was located near 23rd Avenue and Utopia Road. Officers located the home and found the suspect's vehicle in the driveway. Officers were able to set up around the home until a search warrant was obtained.

Officers from the Special Assignments Unit entered the home and located a deceased teenage male and a deceased adult male with a self-inflicted gunshot wound. A deceased dog was also found inside the home with gunshot wounds.

Homicide detectives responded to investigate the shootings. Preliminary information suggests the suspect drove to a business where he shot and killed his estranged wife and another male. He then drove home where he killed his son and then turned the gun on himself. The motive appears to be over a marital dispute. Investigators believe there are no suspects outstanding at this time.

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