



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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: September 25, 2023 at about 2:15 a.m.
Incident: 2023-1458739
Location: 7th Street and East Carter Road
Suspect: Omar Rivas, 23-year-old adult male, MCSO Booking# G048301
Victim: Mia Padilla, 19-year-old female, deceased

Early Morning Shooting Leaves Woman Dead and Man Injured

(September 25, 2023): Phoenix police detectives are investigating an early morning shooting that left one man injured and a woman dead.

On September 25th, 2023, around 02:15 a.m. Phoenix Police received a call regarding a residential burglary in the area of 7th Street and Carter Road. The caller stated he had exchanged gunfire with the suspects who drove off during the shooting.

Phoenix police patrol officers were in the area of Central and Southern Avenues when they heard multiple gun shots and observed a vehicle leaving the area at a high rate of speed. Officers attempted stop the vehicle, however, the vehicle continued and eventually stopped near 2nd Avenue and Broadway Road. The driver, later identified as 23-year-old Omar Rivas, ran from the vehicle but was detained by responding officers. Officers found a man and woman inside the same car suffering from gunshot wounds. The man and the woman were transported to the hospital where the woman, 19-year-old Mia Padilla, later died from her injuries. The man received treatment and is expected to survive.

Detectives responded to investigate the incident and learned the vehicle police stopped was related to the residential burglary. The homeowner was questioned and released pending further investigation. Rivas was later booked on multiple felonies to include 1st Degree Murder. The investigation remains active.

Sergeant Phil Krynsky
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