

## **Phoenix Police Department**

Public Affairs Bureau620 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85003



## MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time:	January 12, 2021
Incident:	2021-60680
Location:	200 South 35 <sup>th</sup> Avenue
Suspect:	Angel VegaMale, 19-years-old
Injury:	Life-threatening
Victim:	Male, 47-years-old
Injury:	None
Victim:	Male, 20-years-old
Injury:	None

Officer Involved: Dakota Moore #9966, Female, 27-years-old with 4 years of service

## Aggravated Assault Investigation / Officer-involved Shooting

On January 12, 2021 at about 3:53 p.m., Officers responded to a 911 call in the area of 35<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Buckeye Road for reports of a male subject throwing rocks at vehicles in a business parking lot. The caller reported the male threatened him with a knife when he confronted him.

Two officers located the suspect and began giving him verbal commands. The suspect ignored the commands and began walking backwards away from the officers while armed with a knife. The suspect did not respond to the continuous commands to drop the knife and an officer deployed an Electronic Control Device, commonly known as taser. The taser did not have an effect on the suspect and a second deployment occurred.

After the second taser deployment, the suspect lunged toward the officers with the knife and an officer fired her service weapon at the suspect. The suspect was injured and taken into custody.

Officers administered first aid until Phoenix Fire Personnel arrived and transported him to the hospital with life-threatening injuries. There were no injuries to officers or victims who were threatened by the suspect.

The investigation is ongoing.

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