

Phoenix Police Department

Public Affairs Bureau

620 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85003



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: July 8, 2021, at about 9:00 p.m.

Incident: 2021-1058905

Location: 27th aven<mark>ue and Aug</mark>usta Avenue Suspect: 64-year-old male, Deceased

Officers Involved: Sergeant Jeremiah Fiola #8532

Officer Ali Alkarawi #10780
Officer Jennifer Rich #10172
Officer Rayonte Benson #10691

Officer Involved Shooting Investigation

On July 8, 2021, at about 9:00 p.m., officers responded to the area of 27th Avenue and Northern Avenue after an adult male resident called 911 numerous times making various statements which indicated a mental health problem. Upon arrival, officers made contact with the male through the door and offered assistance. A short time later the male opened the door and announced he had a gun. He then stepped out of the doorway pointing an object at the officers that resembled a handgun. In response to the threat, one sergeant and three officers discharged their weapons, striking the man.

The male was extracted from the doorway and life-saving measures were initiated until Phoenix Fire arrived and transported him to a local hospital where he was pronounced deceased.

The object was later determined to be a water gun. There were no injuries to officers or other community members.

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