



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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: December 11, 2021 at about 3:45 a.m.
Incident: 2021-1924875
Location: 13th Avenue and Madison Street
Victims: 69-year-old male, John Scales - Deceased

Homicide Investigation

On December 11, 2021, at about 3:45 a.m., Phoenix Police responded to a call of a traffic collision in the area of 13 Avenue and Madison Street. When officers arrived on scene, they located a vehicle that had driven off the side of the road and was parked. Officers learned there was not actually a collision, but an adult male driver was found inside the vehicle with an apparent gunshot wound. The victim was transported to a local hospital in critical condition. Detectives responded to investigate the scene and look for witnesses.

On December 13, the victim succumbed to his injuries and was pronounced deceased.

This investigation is ongoing. Anyone with information is urged to contact the Phoenix Police Department at 602-262-6141. To provide a tip while remaining anonymous, call Silent Witness at 480-WITNESS or 480-TESTIGO for Spanish.