



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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: June 28, 2023 at 2:22 p.m.
Incident: 2023-985631
Location: 39th Avenue and McDowell Road
Victim: Jose Gutierrez, 34-year-old, deceased
Suspect: Carlos Guadalupe Leon Soto, 30-years-old MCSO Booking #G033024

UPDATE: July 26, 2023

A man was arrested for his involvement in this homicide case. He was identified as 30-year-old Carlos Guadalupe Leon Soto. He was booked on multiple felony charges including hindering prosecution, MCSO booking G033024. This case remains an ongoing investigation.

Sergeant Melissa Soliz
Public Affairs Bureau

UPDATE: July 5, 2023

The victim in this case has been identified as 34-year-old Jose Gutierrez.

Sergeant Rob Scherer
Public Affairs Bureau

Homicide Investigation

(June 29, 2023) Dismembered human remains found inside a bag near 39th Avenue and McDowell Road.

On June 28, 2023, just before 2:30 p.m., officers responded to a call of an unknown trouble where the caller could smell a foul odor coming from a bag near 39th Avenue and McDowell Road. When officers arrived, they found a bag in an alley that contained possible human remains.

Detectives responded to take over the investigation and process the scene. Preliminary information confirms the remains were indeed human. Officers were called the day prior for a similar call but did not find anything suspicious. The suspect(s) remains outstanding. Details about what led up to this incident are still under investigation. Anyone with information can contact the Phoenix Police Department, or Silent Witness (480-WITNESS or 480-TESTIGO for Spanish).

Sergeant Phil Krynsky
Public Affairs Bureau

