

Phoenix Police Department

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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: July 7, 2024, around 8:25 p.m.

Incident: 2024-992417

Location: 2500 North 75th Avenue

Victim: Doris Maricela Aguilar Aguilar, 25-year-old, deceased

Victim: Juan Jose Velis Cuellar, 51-year-old, deceased

UPDATE: July 19, 2024

Missing Person Identified as One of Two Found Dead

The victims in this case have been identified as 25-year-old Doris Maricela Aguilar Aguilar and 51-year-old Juan Jose Velis Cuellar. Through the investigation, and consultation with the Office of the Medical Examiner, it has been determined that the injuries suffered by Cuellar were self-inflicted. Any additional details about this incident remain part of the ongoing investigation.

Sergeant Rob Scherer
Public Affairs Bureau

A Man and Woman Found Dead Inside a Vehicle

(July 8, 2024): Detectives are processing evidence where a man and woman were dead for several days.

Officers were called to an injured person report in the parking lot of a business near 75th Avenue and Encanto Boulevard yesterday evening. When officers arrived, they found a man and a woman deceased inside a vehicle. Witnesses told officers the vehicle and the occupants appeared to be in the same position for several days.

Detectives were called to process the scene, collect evidence and search for possible surveillance video. After their preliminary investigation, detectives found the male to have a possible gunshot wound. There was also a firearm found inside the car. The remains were collected by the Office of the Medical Examiner. The investigation remains active as detectives await the findings of the postmortem exams. Anyone with information is asked to call Phoenix police or Silent Witness if they wish to remain anonymous.

