



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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: May 7, 2024, around 11:46 p.m.
Incident: 2024-670622
Location: 3500 West Roosevelt Street
Officer: Sergio Aguirre-Sanchez #10443
Suspect: Christopher Raymond Tavares, 27-year-old, deceased

UPDATE: May 9, 2024

The suspect in this case has been identified as 27-year-old Christopher Tavares.

Sergeant Rob Scherer
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Officer Involved Shooting

(May 8, 2024) Phoenix Police detectives are investigating an officer involved shooting near 35th Avenue and Roosevelt Street.

On May 7, 2024, at approximately 11:45 p.m., an officer on routine patrol was contacted by an employee of a convenience store near the intersection of 35th Avenue and Roosevelt Street. The employee stated that a shoplifting occurred at the store and pointed out two individuals nearby as the suspects. The officer proceeded to the area of these two individuals to contact them, at which time one began to run southbound on 35th Avenue while the other ran eastbound on Roosevelt Street. The officer followed the adult male running eastbound.

As the officer got closer, the man produced a handgun and began to fire in the direction of the officer, striking the police Tahoe multiple times. The officer returned fire at the man striking him at least once. The man was detained and transported to a nearby hospital. He did not survive his injuries and was pronounced deceased.

Detectives responded to assume the investigation. This area will be shut down for an extended period of time as the scene investigation is conducted. The second person involved in the shoplifting was not located and remains outstanding. This person is not related to the officer involved shooting portion of this incident.

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