



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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: August 20th, 2021 – Just after Midnight
Incident: 2021-1294803
Location: 43rd Avenue and Bethany Home Road
Involved: Adult male, Deceased
Adult male, Deceased
Teenage male, Deceased
Teenage male, Serious injuries
Adult male, Uninjured – in police custody

Homicide Investigation

On August 20, 2021, just after midnight, Phoenix Police responded to a shooting call in the area of 43rd Avenue and Bethany Home Road. Officers located an adult male and two teenage males who had sustained gunshot wounds. They were transported to a local hospital where the adult male and one teenage male were pronounced deceased, and one teenage male remains in critical condition. Two other adult males transported themselves to a different hospital, one was uninjured, and one was pronounced deceased. The uninjured male was detained by police.

Detectives believe the males met in the parking lot of a business at 43rd Avenue and Bethany Home Road to conduct a transaction, which had been arranged over social media. At some point during meeting between the two groups, the incident escalated into an exchange of gunfire.

Detectives are on scene now looking for evidence and witnesses. It is believed all parties involved in the shooting are accounted for at this time. No one else was injured during the shooting.

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