

Phoenix Police Department

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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: September 9, 2022, around 10:15 p.m.

Incident: 2022- 1363225

Location: 23rd Avenue and Dunlap Road

Victim: Traci Thurman – 42-year-old female – deceased

Suspect: lan White – 49-year-old male - deceased

Murder Suicide in North Phoenix

Phoenix police detectives are investigating a murder-suicide that left a man and a woman dead.

Officers were called to an apartment in the area of 23rd Avenue and Dunlap Road around 10:15 p.m. for a report of a shots fired call.

When they got there, the officers were informed by neighbors they heard multiple gunshots from inside one of the apartments. A man then walked onto the balcony of the apartment and waved a gun in the air. The man then went back inside the apartment and one gunshot was heard. Officers made entry into the apartment and found a woman, identified as Traci Thurman, and a man, identified as lan White, suffering from gunshot wounds. The fire department responded and pronounced both Thurman and White deceased on scene.

Homicide detectives responded and learned White and Thurman were in a relationship together. By speaking to witnesses and reviewing the evidence, detectives were able to determine White and Thurman were in an argument inside the apartment until White shot Thurman multiple times. White then walked out to the balcony and shouted that he was responsible for the shooting. He went back inside the apartment and shot himself.

Detectives remain on scene as they work towards finalizing the investigation. We encourage any member of our community to please contact the National Crisis Line at 1-800-662-HELP or 988 (call or text) if they are experiencing any crisis.