



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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: December 16, 2023, around 2:12 p.m.
Incident: 2023-1886809
Location: 51st Street and McDowell Road
Suspect: Alton Tungovia, 37-year-old, deceased

Update: December 17, 2023

The suspect has been identified as 37-year-old Alton Tungovia.

Sergeant Melissa Soliz
Public Affairs Bureau

Officer Involved Shooting

(December 16, 2023) Phoenix Police detectives are investigating an officer involved shooting.

On December 16, 2023, around 2:00 p.m., officers responded to several calls of a fight near 44th Street and McDowell Road. The fight developed into a man being stabbed. The suspect left the area east on McDowell Road.

Officers contacted the suspect near 49th Street and McDowell Road who was holding an object in his hand. When officers gave him commands, the man yelled back at officers and continued to walk away weaving in and out of oncoming traffic. One officer used a PepperBall launcher to get the man to stop. The suspect continued to walk away east on McDowell Road toward a strip mall parking lot with the object still in his hand. An officer discharged his gun hitting the suspect. The suspect was transported to the hospital where he later died.

The victim of the initial stabbing received serious but non-life-threatening injuries and was treated at a local hospital.

Detectives responded to assume the investigation. The area involved in this incident will be shut down for an extended period of time as the scene investigation continues.

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