

## **Phoenix Police Department**

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## MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: July 24, 2025, around 3:40 p.m.

Incident: 2025-1078544

Location: 2400 East Madison Street

Victims: Four children under the age of 10, hospitalized

Suspect: Ascencio Largo, 38-year-old, MCSO Booking #G194800

## Father Jailed After Leaving Kids in Hot Car

(July 25, 2025) Phoenix Police detectives are investigating an incident that landed a father in jail after he left his four children in a hot car in the middle of the afternoon.

On July 24, 2025, around 3:40 p.m., officers responded to a home in the area of 24<sup>th</sup> Street and Madison Street when someone called about multiple children being left in a car. When officers arrived, they located the car and the four children associated with it. The car was turned off and the windows were rolled up. Officers recognized the danger this posed to the children and immediately gained access to the vehicle. After getting all of the children out of the car, each was given water and put into a marked patrol Tahoe with running air conditioning to help cool down the children.

The Phoenix Fire Department arrived shortly after and treated the children medically. The temperature inside the vehicle at this time, and after the doors were opened by officers, was around 125 degrees Fahrenheit. The internal temperature of the children was taken, and each was near 100 degrees Fahrenheit. The children were all transported to a nearby hospital to be evaluated for heat related issues. All are expected to be fine.

Officers did follow up attempting to locate the owner of the car and responsible party to the children. While doing so they contacted the father of the children, identified as 38-year-old Ascencio Largo, inside of a nearby business. It was later learned that Largo entered this business just short of an hour prior to police arrival on scene.

Largo was arrested and subsequently booked on eight felonies related to the investigation. The Department of Child Safety was contacted and is conducting a separate investigation. Additional details about this incident remain part of the ongoing investigation.

A social media post was put out on our platforms which includes body worn camera footage from this incident. Below is a link to some of the raw footage from that post.

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1WqPEBCCOo-oPlLeiAOek06oPcBhbKObS/view?usp=sharing

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