



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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: April 6, 2025, around 5:09 p.m.
Incident: 2025-504471
Location: 5900 West Indian School Road
Victim: Rahsharil Goodson, 50-year-old male, deceased
Suspect: Michael Espinoza, 35-year-old, MCSO booking #G170525

UPDATE: April 12, 2025

Detectives have identified 50-year-old Rahsharil Goodson as the victim in this case.

Sergeant Brian Bower
Public Affairs Bureau

Stabbing Leaves Man Dead Another in Jail

(April 7, 2025) Phoenix Police detectives are investigating west valley stabbing that claimed the life of a man and landed another in jail.

On April 6, 2025, around 5:10 p.m., officers responded to the area of 59th Avenue and Indian School Road regarding a fight. As officers were responding, they were advised that a male had stabbed another during this fight. When officers arrived, they located an adult male with at least one stab wound. The man was transported to a nearby hospital but did not survive his injuries and was pronounced deceased. Officers at the scene were advised of a direction that the suspect ran from the scene, at which time officers established a perimeter. With the assistance of the air support unit, the suspect, identified as 35-year-old Michael Espinoza, was arrested.

Homicide detectives responded to assume the investigation. The scene investigation is complete, and the area is opened up. The investigation revealed that after the confrontation with the victim, Espinoza threatened multiple people with the knife used in the stabbing, before he ran from the scene. Espinoza was interviewed by detectives prior to being booked into jail on multiple charges to include murder and aggravated assault. Additional details related to this incident remain part of the ongoing investigation.

Sergeant Rob Scherer
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