

Phoenix Police Department

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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: September 27, 2025, at about 2:17 p.m.

Incident: 2025-1414350

Location: 5500 North 7th Avenue

Victim: Stephen Guardino, 54-year-old male, deceased

Afternoon Shooting Leaves One Man Dead

(September 28, 2025) Officers were called to a shooting scene at the intersection of Missouri Avenue and 7th Avenue where a man was shot and later died at the hospital.

Just after 2 pm on Saturday afternoon, Patrol Officers responded to a shooting in the area of 5500 North 7th Avenue. As officers arrived in the area, they found an adult male, later identified as 54-year-old Stephen Guardino suffering from a serious gunshot wound. The man was taken to the hospital where he later died as a result of his injury.

Detectives responded and took over the investigation. The initial investigation revealed Guardino was driving in the area and exited his vehicle to confront an adult woman who was inside her vehicle. The woman was stopped at the intersection of Missouri Avenue and 7th Avenue. The woman shot Guardino from inside her car and had stayed on scene to speak with officers.

Details of what led to this incident are still being investigated by detectives. The involved woman was interviewed and later released pending further investigation.

Sergeant Brian Bower Public Affairs Bureau