



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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: February 23, 2025, just before 7:15 p.m.
Incident: 2025-281324
Location: 2900 North 27th Avenue
Victim: Ryan Festa, 35-year-old male, deceased

A Stabbing at a Gas Station Leaves A Man Dead

(February 24, 2025): Detectives are looking for a suspect involved in a stabbing that left one man dead.

On February 23, 2025, around 7:10 pm, officers were called to a stabbing call at a gas station near 27th Avenue and Thomas Road. When officers arrived, they found a man suffering from a stab wound. The fire department responded and rushed the man, later identified as 35-year-old Ryan Festa, to the hospital. Festa received treatment but later died from his injuries. No suspects were located at the scene.

Detectives responded to process the scene, speak to witnesses, and attempt to locate surveillance footage. Preliminary information suggests Festa was stabbed at a bus stop next to the gas station then walked to the store for help. The suspect left before police arrived. Currently, no suspects have been detained; however, detectives are actively following leads. Anyone with information can call Phoenix police or Silent Witness, if they wish to remain anonymous.

Sergeant Phil Krynsky
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