



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



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# MEDIA ADVISORY

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**Date/Time:** January 10, 2025, at about 2:00 p.m.  
**Incident:** 2025-50263  
**Location:** 3100 North 40<sup>th</sup> Lane  
**Victim:** Turrell Dantae Clay, 33-year-old, deceased

## Man Dies Hours After Police Arrest

(January 15, 2025) Phoenix Police are investigating the death of a man who died at the hospital several hours after being arrested by police.

On January 10, 2025, 33-year-old Turrell Clay was arrested for an outstanding felony warrant near 3100 North 40<sup>th</sup> Lane. Prior to his arrest, Clay ran from officers, while armed with a gun, and climbed onto the roof of a nearby home. Officers used less lethal tools when Clay would not get down from the roof. Once Clay was off the roof, officers used physical force during a struggle to get him handcuffed. Once in custody, officers called for paramedics to assess Clay. Phoenix Fire evaluated Clay and released him to officers before leaving the scene.

While still on scene, Clay told officers he was having a hard time breathing. Officers drove Clay to a nearby hospital. Clay was then transported by a private ambulance company to a cardiac hospital for advanced care. Doctors there performed a surgical procedure, during which Clay did not survive.

The Maricopa County Examiner's Office will determine cause of death. Currently, that is pending.

Detectives responded to take over the death investigation. As part of our transparency protocol, a critical incident briefing video will be released within 14 days.

*Sergeant Rob Scherer*  
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