



**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:** February 12, 2025, around 5:40 p.m.  
**Incident:** 2025-222061  
**Location:** 8000 North 29<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
**Suspect:** Christopher Lamar Taylor, 20-year-old, MCSO Booking #G159125  
**Suspect:** Montel Dion Anderson, 32-year-old, MCSO Booking #G160828  
**Officer:** Officer Timothy Watson #11545  
**Officer:** Officer Alex Rivera #11660

**UPDATE: February 26, 2025**

The two suspects, identified as 20-year-old Christopher Taylor and 32-year-old Montel Anderson, have been released from medical care and both have been booked into jail on multiple felonies stemming from this investigation.

*Sergeant Rob Scherer*  
*Public Affairs Bureau*

## **Officer Involved Shooting**

(February 12, 2025) Phoenix Police detectives are investigating an officer involved shooting near 8000 North 29<sup>th</sup> Avenue.

On February 12, 2025, at approximately 5:30 p.m., officers assigned to the Cactus Park Precinct were in the area of 29<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Northern Avenue conducting proactive policing. As part of this policing, multiple officers attempted to contact a white sports utility vehicle (SUV) that was occupied by two males. During this contact, officers gave commands for the driver to stop the vehicle. The driver refused and instead attempted to drive away from officers at a high rate of speed. While doing so, they SUV drove in the direction of an officer, at which time the officer involved shooting occurred. In total, two officers fired their firearms during this encounter.

The SUV continued to accelerate and take off from officers. Multiple officers gave chase and ultimately a pursuit was initiated. The SUV was followed to the area of 59<sup>th</sup> Avenue and Northern Avenue, where the then passenger of the SUV exited the car and ran into a nearby apartment

complex. The driver of the SUV continued to drive away from the area until it was involved in a single vehicle collision in the same neighborhood at which time this man was arrested. The man that ran from the vehicle prior to the collision was eventually located and arrested after officers set up a perimeter around the apartment complex. Both men have been transported to a nearby hospital for treatment for at least one gunshot wound each.

Detectives responded to assume the investigation. This area will be shut down for an extended period of time as the scene investigation is conducted. This incident is part of our 14-day Transparency Policy. Updates to this case can be found in the related Critical Incident Briefing to be released within that time frame.

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