



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



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: May 13, 2023 at 11:45 p.m.
Incident: 2023-727421
Location: 39th Avenue and McDowell Road
Victim: Matthew Ballesteros, 17-year-old, deceased
Suspect: Alexander Martin Reyes, 24-year-old, MCSO Booking #T836864

UPDATE: May 18, 2023

The suspect in this case was identified as 24-year-old Alexander Martin Reyes. On May 17, 2023 Reyes was arrested and booked on one charge of murder.

Sergeant Rob Scherer
Public Affairs Bureau

Homicide Investigation

(May 14, 2023) A teenager has died after being shot near 39th Avenue and McDowell Road.

On May 13, 2023, just before midnight, officers responded to a call of a shooting at an apartment complex near 39th Avenue and McDowell Road. A teenage man was found suffering gunshot wounds and transported to the hospital where he later died. The teen was identified as 17-year-old, Matthew Ballesteros.

Detectives responded to take over the investigation. Early information indicates the suspect, victim, and witness were having a barbecue in the common area prior to the shooting. The suspect remains outstanding. Details about what led up to this incident are still under investigation. This remains an ongoing investigation.

Sergeant Melissa Soliz
Public Affairs Bureau