

MEDIA ADVISORY  
OFFICER INVOLVED SHOOTING

Date/Time: March 27, 2018 at 6:38 a.m.

Location: 2900 West Garfield Street

Officer: 49 year old male, 27 years of service

Officer: 37 year old male, 10 years of service

Officer: 45 year old male, 19 years of service

Suspect: 43 year old male

On March 27, 2018, at approximately 6:38 a.m., officers with the Special Assignments Unit were serving a search warrant at a residence near 2900 West Garfield Street for the Arizona Department of Transportation reference an ongoing investigation into forgery and identity theft. Officers knocked, announced, breached the front door and made contact with the occupants of the home. An adult female and several children complied with officers and exited the residence without incident. Officers saw an adult male flee down the hallway and hide in a back room. Officers remained outside the home and sent the robot to locate and contact the suspect. The suspect was located hiding in a bedroom closet, armed with a handgun.

With officers still outside the residence, the suspect left his hiding location and confronted officers, pointing the handgun at them from the hallway. Officers shot the suspect ending the threat. A canine team was used to extract the suspect from the residence. First aid was provided but the suspect died on scene. The residence was searched and no additional suspects were located.

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