

MEDIA ADVISORY
AGGRAVATED ASSAULT OF A POLICE OFFICER/OFFICER
INVOLVED SHOOTING

Date & Time: September 21, 2020 at 6:22 a.m.

Location: 2100 West Dunlap Avenue

Incident: 2020-1554699

Suspect: Dontez Irvin, 26-years-old

Involved Officer:

Phoenix Police Officer Edwin Garcia #10535, 28-years-old with 2 years of service

Details:

On September 21, 2020 at about 6:22 a.m., Officers from the Desert Horizon Precinct were patrolling the area of 9000 N. 19th Avenue when they located a stolen vehicle. They requested additional units as they followed the vehicle into a motel parking lot in the area of 2100 West Dunlap Avenue. A two-person patrol unit, located the vehicle in the parking lot facing toward them. They stopped their vehicle and began to exit to address the suspects. As the passenger officer opened the door and began to step out, the suspect vehicle accelerated toward them and collided with his open door which then struck the officer. The passenger officer fired his service weapon at the driver. The vehicle was not struck and fled the area. The vehicle was pursued briefly and was lost in the area of I-17 and Camelback. The officer received minor injuries. There were no injuries to any other officers or community members.

The stolen vehicle, a dark grey 2006 Nissan Altima, has since been recovered. At this time, detectives have identified the suspect as 26-year-old, Dontez Irvin.

Detectives are asking anyone with information to call the Violent Crimes Bureau at 602-262-6141 or to remain anonymous, call Silent Witness at 480-WITNESS/480-TESTIGO(Spanish).

Information provided by:

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