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Glendale Police Investigate Fatal Road Rage Shooting

GLENDALE, Ariz. – On Saturday, April 13, 2019, at approximately 4:26 PM, Glendale Police received a call in the area of N. 67th Avenue and W. Peoria Ave regarding a violent road rage incident. Glendale officers arrived on scene and located a 4-door sedan vehicle that had crashed into a short exterior property retaining wall of a gas station. The vehicle was occupied by two 18-year-old adult males who were found to have been shot. One of the males was suffering from a lifethreatening injury and the second victim sustained a non-life-threatening injury. Fire personnel treated both males on scene and transported them to a local valley hospital. At the hospital, the male suffering from the life-threatening gunshot wounds did succumb to his injuries and passed away. The second victim is recovering at this time. The male victim who passed away has been identified as the driver, Alexander John Pettygrove (Phoenix resident).

Witnesses reported that there was an altercation between the suspect and victim vehicles just prior to the shooting. The suspect vehicle pulled up beside the victim vehicle at the intersection of 6700 W. Peoria Ave and words were exchanged from both vehicles, when Pettygrove threw his drink at the suspect vehicle. The suspect then responded from his driver's seat, by firing several rounds into the victim's vehicle striking both occupants. The suspect fled the scene prior to police

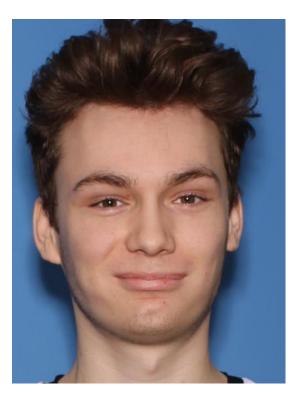
arrival and is currently outstanding.

The suspect is being described as a Hispanic male in his 20s – 30s and was driving an older model smaller size dark blue SUV. This investigation is still ongoing. If you have any information regarding this incident, please contact the Glendale Police Department at 623-930-3000 or through Silent Witness at 480-WITNESS.

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(Alexander Pettygrove)

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