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Glendale Armed Robbery Ends with Officer Involved Shooting

GLENDALE, Ariz. – At 7:00 AM Glendale Police responded to an armed robbery at 6700 W Bethany Home Road. Initial reports were a Hispanic male in his early 20's attempted to take items from the business at gun point. A physical fight has ensued at the business and the suspect had pointed a firearm at the victims. No shots were fired and the suspect fled southbound in a red SUV.

The victims were able to give a license plate and the vehicle was found to have been previously stolen out of the city of Phoenix. As officers put out the information to surrounding agencies, the suspect and vehicle were located by Phoenix Police in the area of 6900 W Clarendon.

A pursuit was engaged at which point, Phoenix Police, Peoria Police, and Glendale Police became engaged in the pursuit. The incident ended at 4300 W Northern, just east, when the suspect was confronted by Glendale Police Officers around 8:16 AM.

While attempting to take the suspect into custody, the suspect produced the shotgun and fired off a round from inside the vehicle.. The officers did attempt to use less lethal means to subdue the suspect before he reached for the firearm. Ultimately, for the safety of the officers and the citizens, the officers used lethal force. The suspect was struck and pronounced deceased on scene.

The suspect has been identified as 21 year old Jorge Alberto Fuentes.

No officers were injured during the incident. The investigation is ongoing and being done jointly by the Phoenix Police Department and Glendale Police Department.

Attached below is a picture of Jorge Alberto Fuentes.

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**Spanish translation available*

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