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## **Glendale Police and Fire Save Man's Life by Using Tourniquet**

GLENDALE, Ariz. – On April 12, 2018 at approximately 8:45AM, Glendale Police Officer Gilberto Comparan was following up on separate call for service in the business complex of 55<sup>th</sup> Ave and Camelback Road when a white work van pulled up beside him honking and the driver quickly exited and told Ofc. Comparan that his co-worker had been severely injured on a worksite and needed immediate medical attention. Ofc. Comparan could see Alex Yanez (24-year-old) applying direct pressure to his left wrist and while assessing the injury discovered an arterial bleed and requested Glendale Fire to assist. Officer Chris Massey arrived on the scene and applied Ofc. Comparan's duty issued tourniquet to Alex's injury, after four to five turns of the tourniquet they finally stopped the bleed.

Glendale Fire Department Captain Matt Graner and Firefighter TC Lee responded and took over immediate medical treatment, first aid, and transportation to a local valley hospital. Alex survived his injury and will be reunited with both the police officers and firefighters who provided life saving efforts on that day who will be recognized for their quick actions. Alex said he has thought about these first responders several times since the incident and is excited to see them again and have the opportunity to properly thank them.

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