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Update – Shooting Involving Glendale Officers Sunday March 25th

GLENDALE, Ariz. – On Sunday, March 25th, at about 4am this morning, a Glendale Police Patrol Sergeant observed a vehicle being driven northbound on 67th Avenue near the Northern overpass, and the vehicle’s bumper was dragging on the ground as if the vehicle had been in a collision. The Sergeant turned around and followed the vehicle from a distance as it entered a mobile home / trailer park in the 8400 block of 67th Avenue at a high rate of speed. The Police Sergeant stopped at the entrance/exit of the complex to watch for the vehicle and called other police officers into the mobile home park to search for the vehicle and its driver.

Responding officers arrived on scene quickly and found the vehicle, still being driven through the complex. The officers observed the driver collide with several different fixed objects in the complex and during attempts to get the driver to stop, he drove directly at officers. Two Glendale Officers discharged their duty weapons at the threat coming at them. Those Officers were Ammie Plummer, and Tom Psalidas, both are 4 yr veterans of the Glendale Police Department. The suspect, a 17 yr old male, finally stopped after collided with a parked unoccupied vehicle. As Officers approached him, he began to injure himself with a sharp object, but officers were able to take him into custody during that attempt. There were no other occupants of the suspect vehicle besides the driver, and he was not struck by the officer’s gunfire.

The juvenile suspect was transported to a valley hospital for treatment of his self-inflicted injuries, and then booked into the Durango Juvenile Detention Center. The charges are: (5) counts of Aggravated Assault, (3) counts of Criminal Damage and (1) count of Possession of Marijuana. No Glendale Officers were hurt during this incident. The Glendale Officers involved are on paid administrative leave for a few days, as is standard practice in officer involved shooting situations.

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