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Update to Convenience Store Security Guard Shooting

GLENDALE, Ariz. – On Tuesday evening, October 15th, 2013, Glendale Police Officers responded to the Circle K in the 5800 block of W. Camelback at approximately 6:30 PM for a call of a shooting of a security guard. Upon police arrival, the investigation revealed a male suspect had entered the Circle K and attempted to shoplift beer from the store. The suspect was approached by a plain clothed store security guard and a struggle ensued. A second uniformed store security guard responded and assisted his partner in an attempt to gain control of the suspect.

The security guards utilized methods to try to gain control of the suspect to include OC pepper spray. At some point during their attempt to establish control, the suspect produced a handgun and fired several rounds at the uniformed security guard. The uniformed security guard was struck several times in his bullet proof vest. However, he only sustained one gunshot wound to the body. After being struck by gunfire, the uniformed security guard valiantly continued to try to detain the suspect by deploying his taser, making contact with the suspect. As a result, the suspect lost control of his gun, but then produced a knife, cutting the uniformed security guard. The suspect then physically assaulted the plain clothed security guard as he fled the scene on foot prior to police arrival. A perimeter was established and a search for the suspect was conducted. Officers were unable to locate the suspect in the area.

The uniformed security guard sustained one gunshot wound and knife wound to the body. His injuries are non-life threatening. The plain clothed security guard sustained minor non-life threatening injuries as a result of being assaulted by the suspect.

Detectives from the Glendale Police Violent Crimes Unit responded to the scene and have assumed the investigation. Detectives are actively working this investigation and are following up on all possible leads. The investigation is still ongoing, and the suspect is still outstanding. No surveillance footage is being released at this time. Images from the surveillance video are being released in an attempt to identify and locate the suspect. See attached photos. The suspect is described as a Hispanic male, 25 to 35 years of age, 5'4" to 5'8" tall and approximately 155 to 160 pounds. He has short dark hair and a full mustache. At the time of the incident, he was wearing a gray fedora hat, long gray shorts, dark colored shoes and a black jacket. When he fled the scene on foot, he had no shoes and no shirt on.

Glendale Police Detectives currently have exhausted all leads in this case. Detectives are seeking the community's help identifying and locating the involved suspect. The Glendale Police Department encourages anyone that has information on this case, to include the identity of the suspect, to call the Glendale Police Department at (623) 930-3000 or Silent Witness at 480-WITNESS.





Circle K #3378
5880 W Camelback

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