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## Update – Arrest Made in Glendale Toddler Death

**GLENDALE, Ariz.** – On Sunday, December 11, 2011, at about 10:30 am Glendale Officers responded to a residence near 59<sup>th</sup> and Bethany Home Road reference the report of a baby not breathing. It was reported a 15 month old baby girl was found by her mother’s boyfriend, Miguel Garcia, in her bedroom unresponsive after being put down for a nap. Miguel ran to a neighboring residence with the little girl, where life-saving efforts were performed and a 911 call was placed. When Officers arrived, life-saving efforts were underway. The child was transported to a valley hospital, but sadly, she passed away.

The cause of death is still pending and is not being released at this time. The mother of deceased toddler is not a suspect. The mother’s boyfriend, Miguel Garcia, was babysitting the children while the mother was at work when the incident occurred. The mother has three other children ages 6, 5 and 2 that were in the home. The names of the children, including the deceased, will not be released. We respectfully ask the media to not release the names of the children.

Over the last few days, Detectives from Homicide working the case developed probable cause for the arrest of 22 year old Miguel Garcia for the murder of the 15 month old baby girl. Today, at about 11:30 am, Miguel was placed under arrest. Miguel Garcia was booked into the 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue Jail for one count of 2<sup>nd</sup> degree murder. The investigation is still ongoing. See attached photo of Miguel Garcia.

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