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HOMICIDE INVESTIGATION 7150 EAST SPEEDWAY BOULEVARD

The Tucson Police Department is actively investigating a homicide that occurred late last night on Tucson's East side.

On February 27, 2019, just before midnight, officers from Operations Division East were dispatched to the Walmart located at 7150 E. Speedway Boulevard for reports of a shooting in the parking lot. Upon arrival, officers located an adult male on the ground with obvious signs of gunshot trauma. Officers immediately began rendering aid to the male utilizing their Individual First Aid Kits (IFAK). Tucson Fire responded and took over medical treatment, however; the male was pronounced deceased on scene. The deceased male was identified as **18-year-old Juan Andres Allen**. Next of kin has been notified.

As officers began their investigation, they learned that an SUV fled the scene shortly after the shooting. A description of the SUV was obtained and broadcast over the radio. A short time later, responding officers located the SUV in the 8600 block of East Old Spanish Trail. The SUV was occupied by three individuals who were quickly detained and identified (**19-year-old Eduardo Carranza**, **18-year-old Francisco Morales** and a 17-year-old juvenile). It was determined Allen and the individuals in the SUV had gang affiliations, so the Tucson Police Gang Unit responded to take over the investigation.

Through information received and evidence gathered at the scene, Gang Detectives were able to determine that Allen was in the SUV when it entered the Walmart parking lot. Allen and Carranza, exited the SUV armed with handguns and approached a man sitting in his car. Allen and Carranza attempted to carjack the victim and a physical altercation ensued. During the altercation, the victim pulled out his own handgun and shot Allen multiple times. Carranza ran back to the SUV and drove away with the others involved. The SUV was reported stolen on February 20, 2019.

Eduardo Carranza was arrested and charged with 1st Degree Murder, Attempted Armed Robbery and Attempted Aggravated Robbery. Francisco Morales was arrested and charged with Theft of Means of Transportation (GTA). Both were booked into the Pima County Jail. Their booking photos are attached below. The Juvenile was booked into the Pima County Juvenile Correction Center on felony charges.

Anyone with additional information about this incident is asked to call 88-CRIME. You can remain anonymous.

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