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HOMICIDE INVESTIGATION 8700 BLOCK OF EAST ALMOND STREET

On July 26, 2017 at approximately 5:30 a.m., officers from Operations Division East responded to the 8700 block of East Almond Street for reports of a possible shooting in the area. Upon arrival, officers located an adult male on the ground being treated by neighbors. The victim had obvious signs of gunshot trauma and officers immediately took over first aid treatment until Tucson Fire (TFD) was on scene. Shortly after TFD arrived, the victim was pronounced deceased.

Detectives from the Tucson Police Department Homicide Unit responded to the scene to continue the investigation. Although the investigation is still in the early stages, detectives were able to determine that the shooting was not a random act of violence. The victim and suspects knew each other and were involved in an altercation near the victim's home. During the altercation, shots were fired at the victim and he was struck. The suspects involved fled in a vehicle before officers arrived.

The victim has been identified as 40-year-old Gabriel Escalante. Next of kin has been notified.

Additional details will be released as they become available. Detectives are asking anyone with information to please call 88-CRIME (you can remain anonymous).

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