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### HOMICIDE INVESTIGATION NORTH RIVERSIDE DRIVE AND WEST SAINT MARY'S ROAD

**\*\*\*UPDATE – FEBRUARY 19, 2014\*\*\***

An arrest has been made in the November 22, 2013 homicide that occurred in the wash near Riverside Drive and West Saint Mary's Road. The victim in this incident was identified as 34-year old Owen McNutt.

On November 23, 2013, detectives determined this incident was a homicide following an autopsy. At least one of the individuals involved in the incident had previous documented gang affiliation and the case was then taken over by the Tucson Police Gang Unit.

Gang Detectives later determined that the incident was not a gang related crime. Detectives discovered that the two suspects were known to Mr. McNutt. All three were homeless and lived in the area of the incident. The two suspects lured Mr. McNutt into the wash where he was assaulted and robbed of his personal belongings. During the course of the robbery, Mr. McNutt was killed. The cause of death was determined to be blunt force trauma. Detectives were able to positively identify one of the suspects in this incident as 36-year old Shane Blevins. On February 18, 2014, detectives located Mr. Blevins at the Pima County Jail where he was being held for unrelated charges. Detectives added 1 count of 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Murder, 1 count of Felony Murder 1<sup>st</sup> degree, 1 count of Armed Robbery and 1 count of Aggravated Robbery to his current charges. His booking photograph is included below. Detectives have identified and are actively seeking the second suspect in this incident.

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Shane Blevins

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Sergeant Chris Widmer – February 19, 2014

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On November 22, 2013 at 12:13 p.m., officers from Operations Division Downtown responded to the area of North Riverside Drive and West Saint Mary's Road in reference to a body floating in the wash. Upon arrival, personnel from the Tucson Fire Department had extracted the body from the wash and confirmed the individual was deceased.

Homicide detectives responded to continue the investigation but the cause of death could not immediately be determined. On November 23, 2013, an autopsy was performed on the body which revealed signs of trauma indicative of a homicide. Detectives also discovered that the individual had previous gang affiliations. The Tucson Police Department Gang Unit has taken over the investigation. The victim in this incident is an adult male but his name is being withheld pending notification of the next of kin. The investigation is ongoing at this time and detectives are asking anyone with information to contact 911 or 88-CRIME.

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