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HOMICIDE INVESTIGATION SOUTH SARNOFF DRIVE AND EAST CALEXICO STREET

*****UPDATE – MARCH 4, 2015*****

An arrest has been made in the stabbing death of 18-year-old Matthew Raffai.

When detectives first began their investigation on March 1, 2015, they spoke with several individuals believed to be involved with this incident. No arrests were made on that date. As detectives continued their investigation, additional information was gathered. On March 4, 2015, detectives arrested one of the men they had originally spoken with. He was identified as 19-year-old Kyle Best. Mr. Best was booked into the Pima County Jail on one count of second degree murder.



Kyle Best

Sergeant Pete Dugan – March 4, 2015



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*****UPDATE – MARCH 2, 2015*****

This is a correction on the legal name of the victim in this incident. The victim has been identified as 18-year-old Matthew Raffai.

Sergeant Kimberly Bay – March 2, 2015

On March 1, 2015, at approximately 10:30 a.m., officers from Operations Division East responded to the area of South Sarnoff Drive and East Calexico Street for a report of a possible stabbing. Upon arrival, officers located an adult male near the intersection, with obvious signs of trauma. Tucson Fire Department was on scene and immediately transported the victim to University of Arizona Medical Center, where he later died from his injuries.

Detectives from the Homicide Unit and Aggravated Assault Unit responded to continue the investigation. The investigation is still in the early stages, however detectives have determined that the victim and two adult males were involved in a confrontation near the intersection. During the confrontation, a knife was brandished and the victim was stabbed. The other two individuals involved were located and detained, but at this time no arrests have been made. Detectives are still investigating the incident and additional information will be released as it becomes available. Anyone with information is urged to contact 911 or 88-CRIME.

The victim has been identified as 18-year-old Matthew Potts. Next of kin have been notified.

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