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DOMESTIC VIOLENCE SHOOTING INCIDENT AT NORTH COLUMBUS AND EAST MONTE VISTA AND SUBSEQUENT SUICIDE ATTEMPT AT TMC

At approximately 12:14 PM on October 11, 2011, the Tucson Police Department received several 911 calls from individuals reporting that a female had been shot. Officers from Operations Division Midtown arrived within one minute of the initial calls and quickly located an adult female victim. Personnel from the Tucson Fire Department also responded to the scene and transported her to a local trauma center for treatment of her injuries. Her condition was listed as serious, but stable, and she is expected to survive her injuries.

Additional information received indicated that there had been an altercation between the adult female victim and another adult male. It is believed that the male and female had a domestic relationship. The male and female have two children in common, but neither child was present during the incident. The male suspect fled the scene in a red, Dodge Spirit. He was the sole occupant of the vehicle.

A short while later, at approximately 12:28 PM, the Tucson Police Department received a 911 call indicating that a vehicle matching the description of the suspect vehicle had arrived in the parking lot of the Tucson Medical Center hospital located at 5301 East Grant Road. The male driver initially advised that he was going to kill himself before shooting himself an unknown number of times while still seated in the driver's seat of the vehicle. Responding officers immediately began CPR until medical personnel from within the hospital were able to come out to assist. The male was transferred to a gurney and immediately taken into the hospital for emergency medical treatment. At this time, he has not succumbed to his injuries, but is listed in critical condition.

Detectives from the Domestic Violence and Aggravated Assault Units responded to continue the investigation. They have gathered evidence and conducted various interviews. The investigation continues reference the motive for the shootings. Anyone with additional information is urged to call 911 or 88-Crime.

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