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HOMICIDE 4301 EAST 29TH STREET

*****UPDATE – NOVEMBER 23, 2011*****

On November 22, 2011, Tucson Police Department Gang Investigations Unit detectives charged **32-year old Joe L. Medina**, of Tucson, in connection with this case. Through their investigation, Gang Unit detectives identified Medina as the suspect in this shooting. Information about Medina was shared with the U.S. Marshals Arizona WANTED Task Force, who successfully located and detained Medina at a residence on Tucson's south side, without incident. Medina was turned over to the Tucson Police Department for follow-up and arrest processing, and was booked into the Pima County Adult Detention Center on **one count each of 1st Degree Murder, Attempted 1st Degree Murder, and Aggravated Assault with a Deadly Weapon**, all felonies.



Joe L. Medina

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*****UPDATE – NOVEMBER 19, 2011*****

The deceased victim has been identified as **34-year old Michael Grijalva**, a resident of South Tucson. Next of kin have been notified. The surviving victim is currently in stable condition.

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Gang Investigations Unit detectives worked through the night and are continuing to develop and follow leads in this case.

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On November 18, 2011 at approximately 11:10 p.m., the Tucson Police Department received several 911 calls reporting shots heard in the area of 4301 East 29th Street. Officers from Operations Division Midtown responded to the scene within approximately four minutes and located two adult male victims with apparent gunshot trauma. One victim, described as a Caucasian or Hispanic male approximately 28-years of age, was deceased at the scene. Next of kin have not yet been notified.

A second victim, approximately 31-years of age, was suffering from life-threatening gunshot trauma. A medic-trained Tucson Police Department officer administered emergency medical aid at the scene until Tucson Fire Department paramedics responded. This victim was transported to a local trauma center where he underwent surgery and is in critical condition.

Detectives from the Gang Investigations Unit, assisted by the Night Detectives Detail, responded to continue the investigation at the scene. The two victims were found near a vehicle in the complex parking lot. The vehicle was associated with the surviving victim. Witnesses in the area reported hearing shots fired, but limited suspect information was immediately available. The deceased victim was identified as being affiliated with a criminal street gang, but detectives are still working to identify both the motive and the suspect(s). It is unknown if the murder was gang-related.

The Tucson Police Department urges anyone with information about this incident to call **911** or **88-CRIME**.

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