

As of December 31st there were 102 deaths.

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ARIZONA Domestic Violence Related Deaths 2020

Count	Name	Date of Death	Age	Children	Cause of Death	Location	Fatality Caused By	Circumstances
1	Mirna Ortega	1/5/2020	43	Unknown	Sharp force trauma	Tucson	Ismael Ortega	A Tucson man is in jail facing charges of first-degree murder in the stabbing death of his sister Sunday night. Tucson Police Operations Division Midtown officers were called to a residence near 2400 S. Holly Stravenue in Tucson Sunday around 8:30 p.m. on a report of a knife assault by a man on his sister. When police arrived at the home, they found Ismael Ortega, 41, inside and immediately detained him. Police then found Ismael's sister Mirna Ortega, 43, outside behind the house "with obvious signs of sharp force trauma," Tucson police reported. Mirna Ortega was unresponsive when she was found, and police administered CPR. Tucson Fire then arrived at the home and took over medical aid provision. Mirna Ortega was taken to Banner University Medical Center with what authorities deemed life-threatening injuries.
2	Emilio Smith	1/6/2020	2	None	Blunt force trauma	Douglas	Mario Alberto Toscano Jr.	According to Carol Capas, spokesperson for the Cochise County Sheriff's Office, on Sunday January 5, at approximately 6 p.m. the CCSO arrested 21-year-old Mario Alberto Toscano Jr. at his Douglas residence and booked him into the Cochise County Jail on felony charges of child abuse/domestic violence. Capas said the Sheriff's Office was initially contacted by the Douglas Copper Queen Hospital Emergency Room at approximately 10:15 a.m. that morning in reference to a child who was not breathing and suffering from questionable injuries. Medical intervention occurred and once the child was stabilized he was transported to a Tucson hospital for further treatment. Deputies interviewed medical staff, the mother of the child, and Toscano before serving a search warrant on the residence in Douglas where the mother and Toscano live. As a result of information obtained in the investigation, Toscano was arrested and booked in the Cochise County Jail pending further adjudication.
3	Gustavo Reyes	1/12/2020	Unknown	2	Stab wounds	Avondale	Gustavo Reyes Jr.	When officers arrived at the Avondale home, they found Gustavo Reyes Jr., 29, covered in blood and walking around, according to court documents released Tuesday. The man's father was lying on the floor with stab wounds to his torso and legs, the document says. Reyes was ordered to be held on a \$1 million bond after being arrested Sunday and accused of the murder. Court records say that Reyes' brother, whose name is not given in the report, had dropped him off at the house at 10:30 a.m. At 10:45 a.m. Reyes texted him to come back, the records say. A few minutes later, Reyes called his mother, who was out of the country, to tell her that he killed his father, court records say. The mother then called the brother to tell him about the possible stabbing, records say. The brother called 911 at around 10:56 a.m. asking police to check on his father, records say. Reyes' own call to police came a few minutes later. When police entered the home, they saw Reyes Jr. holding his cellphone, records say, and the screen's display showing he was on the line with 911.
4	Lisa Samaniego	1/18/2020	30	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Tempe	Antoine Hagler	Police in Tempe say the shooting deaths of a man and woman last weekend was a murder-suicide. They say two people were found suffering from gunshot wounds Saturday morning when officers were called out to a reported vehicle burglary. Police say 30-year-old Lisa Samaniego was pronounced dead at the scene while 40-year-old Antoine Hagler was transported to the hospital where he later died of his injuries. According to police, the shooting stemmed from a domestic incident. They say Samaniego's body was found outside a vehicle while Hagler was found slumped over inside a vehicle. Police say detectives believe Hagler shot and killed Samaniego before turning the gun on himself.
5	Antoine Hagler	1/18/2020	40	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Tempe	Self-inflicted	
6	Catalaya Rios	1/20/2020	7 months' old	None	Smothered	Phoenix	Rachel Henry	

7	Miraya Henry	1/20/2020	1	None	Smothered	Phoenix	Rachel Henry	According to the report, Rachel Henry admitted to smothering all three of her kids, one by one, even singing to some of them as she covered their mouths and noses. The police report describes what Henry said she did next. "Rachel placed all of the children in a position on the living room couch as if they were taking a nap." She also reportedly did not tell any other family members in the home what had just happened.
8	Zane Henry	1/20/2020	3	None	Smothered	Phoenix	Rahcel Henry	
9	Kelly Susanne Nickolson	2/2/2020	50	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Kingman	Kyle Don Axtell	DPS Public Information Officer Raul Garcia said the trooper figured out during the stop, that both the driver and passenger had felony warrants out for their arrests and were supposed to be extradited to Colorado on drug charges. They were identified as 57-year-old Kyle Don Axtell, of Kingman, and 50-year-old Kelly Susanne Nickolson. As the trooper walked back to the pickup truck, Axtell suddenly shot Nickolson, Garcia said. After this, the trooper drew his gun and fired it toward Axtell. Simultaneously, Axtell shot himself. Both Axtell and Nickolson died at the scene.
10	Kyle Don Axtell	2/2/2020	57	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Kingman	Self-inflicted	
11	Timothy Johnson	2/3/2020	55	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Glendale	Shata Johnson	Glendale police say Thursday afternoon, 39-year-old Shata Syreeta Johnson walked into a Phoenix police station and told them that there was a dead man inside a vehicle at her home near 59th Avenue and Thunderbird Road. She reportedly told police that she shot her husband in self-defense. According to Shata Johnson, she confronted her husband on Monday about an extra-marital affair she believed he was having. The couple argued inside and outside the home with her husband following her around, according to Johnson. She also said police had been called to her house for other domestic disputes. She then reportedly went to his car to leave home and go to the store. Once outside, her husband allegedly refused to let her leave as they locked and unlocked the car door while she was inside the car. Shata Johnson went on to tell police that at one point, her husband got into the car with her and tried taking the keys away. She then shot him in the face.
12	Chris Cadott	2/9/2020	63	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Yuma	Police	The Yuma County Sheriff's Office says the shooting happened Sunday night after deputies were called to a report of a domestic violence situation. Upon their arrival, the deputies encountered 63-year-old Chris Cadotte of Orange County. Cadotte was holding a knife. Deputies say he disregarded commands to drop it. A deputy shot Cadotte as he approached still holding the knife. Deputies administered first aid until paramedics arrived. But Cadotte died a short time later at a hospital.
13	Matthew Misener	2/10/2020	35	3	Gunshot wound	Clifton	Eduardo Montano Jr.	Georgina Misener, 33, the ex-wife of Clifton homicide victim Matthew Gerald Misener, 35, of Safford, was arrested on a warrant for murder in the first degree and conspiracy to commit premeditated murder in the first degree. According to Clifton Police Chief Omar Negrete, their investigation found information that showed Georgina Misener had communicated with Eduardo Montano Jr., 36, of Tucson, to help him commit the murder. Montano is suspected of fatally shooting Matthew Misener, as he was on his way to work at the Morenci mine in the early morning hours of Feb. 10. Matthew Misener was driving a black, Chevrolet Tahoe on U.S. Highway 191 and was shot as he began to enter the "Horseshoe Curve" between Clifton and Morenci. The incident took place just before 5 a.m., and the Clifton Fire Chief called it in after noticing the bullet-ridden vehicle. Other citizen responders in the area also stopped to help and then noticed the vehicle had been shot. Matthew Misener was scheduled to go to a hearing the day after his shooting regarding an attempt to establish full custody of his three children he shared with his ex-wife and investigators are looking into if that issue had anything to do with the homicide.

14	Sophie Bojorquez	2/11/2020	3	none	Brain injury and abusive trauma	Phoenix	Luis Medina	Phoenix police arrested 36-year-old Luis Medina, who was in a relationship with the victim's mother. Court documents say Medina was staying in the home with Sophie, another 3-year-old child, and the children's biological mother. Neighbors say they only saw them at the home for a few weeks. On February 7, court documents say the children were diagnosed with the flu. On Sunday, their mother went to work, leaving the children in Medina's care. When she came home, she found the little girl unresponsive and "cold to the touch." She told Medina to call 911 and the little girl was rushed to the hospital. Court records say she died at the hospital on February 11. A nurse at the hospital told investigators the girl suffered a "devastating brain injury" and had bruises on her back and face. The nurse said the victim's injuries were consistent with abusive trauma that you'd see in a car crash, which the girl was never in. On February 10, investigators say they responded to the same home for an attempted suicide. Documents say they found Medina in a bathtub with cuts on his wrist after he allegedly talked with an attorney about the case. He was taken to the hospital for his injuries and was arrested once he was released on February 12, after Sophie died. Documents say he told investigators that he didn't have much of a relationship with the children but previously disciplined Sophie by spanking. Court records indicate that Medina has a record for domestic violence in California. His ex-wife also filed an order of protection against him in 2018.
15	Lauren Porter	2/19/2020	32	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Phoenix	Joseph Caba	Police say officers responded to a shooting call around 4:45 p.m. Wednesday at a home in the area of 43rd and Sweetwater Avenues. Once inside the home, officers reported finding the bodies of 32-year-old Lauren Porter and 41-year-old Joseph Caba. The two were pronounced dead at the scene. Police say family members asked authorities to do a welfare check on the victims. Police say the investigation is in the early stages, but it appears Caba shot Porter before turning the gun on himself.
16	Joseph Caba	2/19/2020	41	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Phoenix	Self-inflicted	
17	Name not released	2/28/2020	4	None	Severe head injuries	Clarkdale	Joshua David Hernandez Lord	According to a news release sent out Monday, the 4-year-old boy injured in a Feb. 27 domestic disturbance at 1424 Second South Street in Clarkdale was pronounced dead on Saturday from severe head injuries. Clarkdale Police say the man who caused the fatal injuries was the boy's father, who was killed by a Clarkdale officer during a confrontation at the scene. That father is Joshua David Hernandez Lord, 33. Police say Lord struck his son in the head, causing numerous skull fractures. The suspect also struck his 51-year-old mother in the head, fracturing her skull as well. Medical personnel were dispatched to the scene, which was first reported to dispatchers as an injured person. No information was received that the injuries were the result of assaults; the 911 calls did not convey the severity of the incident nor the extent of the injuries, police said. Per Clarkdale Police protocol, Officer Carlos Godina responded to assist medical personnel. He attempted several times to deescalate Lord at the scene, but Godina's Taser was ineffective, with Lord's behavior continuing to escalate. The report says events rapidly unfolded, and within minutes, Godina discovered the injured boy. The officer continued his attempts to deescalate the situation, all while keeping the suspect in the residence and protecting the injured boy. During the encounter, the suspect carried the guitar he allegedly used to assault his son and mother. Inside the house, he grabbed a knife and used it to continually threaten Godina. He then "aggressed" the officer, the report states, "forcing Officer Godina to use lethal force."
18	Joshua David Hernandez Lord	2/28/2020	33	1	Gunshot wound	Clarkdale	Police	
19	Name not released	3/2/2020	6	Unknown	Malnourishment and child abuse	Flagstaff	Anthony Martinez, Elizabeth Archibeque-Martinez, and Ann Marie Martinez	The parents and grandmother of a 6-year-old Arizona boy found dead in his home from apparent malnourishment have been arrested on suspicion of murder and child abuse, police said Tuesday. The boy and his 7-year-old brother were kept in a closet for about 16 hours daily for a month and denied food at the family's residence in Flagstaff, about two hours north of Phoenix, police said. The parents claimed the boys would steal food at night while the parents were asleep, police said. Anthony Martinez, 23, Elizabeth Archibeque-Martinez, 26 and Ann Marie Martinez, 50, were arrested Monday and were being held at the Coconino County jail on a \$3 million cash-only bond each.
20	Jessica Rubacalba	3/13/2020	33	3	Gunshot wound	Phoenix	Adan Chavez	Police say the bodies of 43-year-old Adan Chavez and 33-year-old Jessica Rubacalba were found inside their home just before 2 Sunday afternoon. Investigators believe Chavez shot and killed Jessica before turning the gun on himself. "This is a devastating loss to our family. She's a hard-working, responsible mom," Sergio Casillas, Jessica's cousin said. Casillas is just one of the family members who rushed to the home after hearing what happened. Police had responded to the home near 54th Avenue and Camelback Road for an attempted burglary call after neighbors reported seeing people kicking in the front door. Those people turned out to be relatives frantically trying not to hold of the couple. "They even called 911 themselves and immediately went to police and started giving us info about the folks."

21	Adan Chavez	3/13/2020	43	3	Gunshot wound	Phoenix	Self-inflicted	be relieved from duty, a young girl one of the couple. They even called 911 themselves and immediately went to police and started giving us info about the home inside," a police spokesperson said. Authorities said the couple's three children were not home at the time of the shootings. While Casillas said the couple had been arguing, nobody expected something so horrible. "It's a big loss," he said. "It's a big tragedy. [She was a] Really, really good person. Like I said, we just saw her last week. It was normal. We never thought something like this was going to happen." Family members described the couple as married but police are working to confirm that detail.
22	Rosario Angel Alvarado	3/16/2020	41	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Chandler	Police	On Friday, March 13, 2020 around 6:30pm, the Chandler Police Department Communications center received a 911 call from a female at a residence in the 100 block of North Sacramento Street. The female told the call-taker a male, identified as 41 year-old Rosario Angel Alvarado, was inside the home with a knife and was trying to kill her. Shortly after officers arrived Alvarado, who was still at the home, began yelling from inside at the officers. As the third patrol unit arrived all officers observed Alvarado exit the home from the car port area holding a gun in his hand. Alvarado ignored numerous commands from officers to drop the handgun. Alvarado raised the handgun and pointed it at officers. Three officers fired their weapons and Alvarado was struck multiple times. Officers called for paramedics and rendered medical aide to Alvarado, where he was transported to a local hospital with life-threatening injuries. The female victim was treated for a minor injury caused by Alvarado, but not hospitalized. No officers were injured. On Monday, March 16, 2020 Alvarado died as a result of his injuries.
23	Sofia Hurtado	3/19/2020	17	Unknown	Unknown	Tucson	Gerardo Salinas	Tucson police arrested a man on suspicion of killing his 17-year-old cousin and burying her remains at several Pima County sites, say police officials said Thursday. Gerardo Salinas was arrested and booked into a Pima County jail on suspicion of first-degree murder, kidnapping, and abandoning and concealing a body, police said in a news release. Salinas called police March 22 from a residence near Tanque Verde and Kolb roads to report a missing person/runaway child identified as Sofia Hurtado, who lived with her mother in Mexico but was staying with Salinas, his girlfriend and their two young children, the release stated. Salinas told police he went to Mexico on March 15 and brought Sofia back to Tucson for a visit, according to the release. He reported the teen was missing since March 19. Salinas let officers inside the home and showed them where the girl had been staying. Officers found dried blood, and furniture was missing from the room where she had been sleeping, according to the news release. Detectives interviewed Salinas and his girlfriend and got a search warrant for the home. "Forensic evidence indicated a violent crime had been committed in different locations inside of the home," the release stated. "In a nearby dumpster, detectives recovered a trash bag containing items belonging to Gerardo's residence along with female clothing that appeared to be blood stained." After continuing to search for evidence and interviewing Salinas again, detectives found several burial sites around Pima County. Sofia's remains were found and recovered from each site, the news release stated. Salinas was taken into custody and booked into a Pima County Jail where he is being held on \$1 million bond. Sofia's family was notified. The investigation is ongoing, and police said updated information will be released as it becomes available.
24	Caleb Hatch	3/26/2020	10	None	Gunshot wound	Sahuarita	Steven Hatch	According to SPD, officers arrived at a home in the 800 block of W. Vuelta Granadina reference a shooting and found two males with gunshot wounds. Both were pronounced dead on scene. SPD identified the victim as 10-year-old Caleb Hatch. The murder suspect who died by suicide is 49 year-old Steven Hatch, the boy's father. "SPD Detectives served multiple search warrants at different locations that resulted in gathering significant evidence. The investigation has revealed that Mr. Hatch tragically killed his 10-year-old son Caleb before taking his own life. There is no outstanding suspect nor threat to the public," SPD said.
25	Steven Hatch	3/26/2020	49	1	Gunshot wound	Sahuarita	Self-inflicted	

26	Greg Carnicle	3/29/2020	56	4	Gunshot wound	Phoenix	Jacob Mcilveen	A Phoenix Police Department commander has died after being shot during a domestic violence call Sunday night. Police identified the gunman Monday morning as Jacob Mcilveen, 22, who was later shot dead by police. A release from police says on Sunday afternoon, Cmdr. Greg Carnicle, a 31-year veteran of the force, was just months away from retiring when he and officers Marissa Dowhan and Alicia Hubert responded to a house at 40th Drive and Pinnacle Peak. A resident said a roommate was "acting peculiar" and other roommates wanted him to leave, the release says. It began peacefully. Police were helping Mcilveen remove some of his property from the house. At some point, he slammed the door on the officers. Police went back into the house. They couldn't see Mcilveen, but were talking to him while he was upstairs. As the officers went up the staircase, Mcilveen came out of a room upstairs and began shooting at them. Carnicle, Dowhan and Hubert were all hit. Another officer who was still downstairs shot in the direction of Mcilveen, but didn't hit him. Other police on the scene were able to get the wounded cops out of the house. Police negotiators were called to try to get Mcilveen to surrender. Hours later, Mcilveen walked outside with a handgun. An officer shot him and he was pronounced dead at the scene. Carnicle, Dowhan and Hubert were taken to a hospital. Carnicle was pronounced dead. Dowhan and Hubert suffered serious physical injuries, police say, but are expected to recover.
27	Name not released	3/31/2020	27	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Chandler	Jordan Taylor	Chandler police said they responded to the apartment about 7:45 a.m. and found a 27-year-old woman who had been shot in the chest. The apartment is located near north Metro Boulevard and south Price Road. There were two children at the apartment at the time of the shooting, according to court records. The woman was conscious when police arrived and was taken to the hospital, police said. According to court documents, the woman died in emergency surgery. The woman's husband, Jordan Taylor, 30, called 911 requesting medical assistance and indicated he had shot a woman. He told police he was "manipulating the rifle when it went off," according to court records. He said he was trying to clear the gun when it went off, and was pointing it at his wife. Taylor told police they had only owned firearms for a short time. He then admitted to having at least two other "accidental discharges" with the rifle in the last week, according to court records. Taylor was arrested and faces one charge of second-degree murder.
28	Kristie Bobbitt	4/3/2020	42	4	Gunshot wound	Gilbert	Philip Bobbitt	Court documents indicate 42-year-old Phillip Bobbitt fired 14 shots in the parking lot of the Liv Northgate apartment complex on April 3. When officers arrived at the scene, they found 42-year-old Kristie Bobbitt shot inside a vehicle in the parking lot. She was pronounced dead. According to court documents, Phillip Bobbitt texted his dad and told him he shot his estranged wife. He also allegedly texted his employer and stated, "I killed my wife this morning." He later sent a second text message stating, "she refused to have one conversation with me. She is very disrespectful to me. I couldn't take it no more. She is a [expletive]. Kids are better off without her." Two hours after the deadly shooting, police were able to locate Phillip Bobbitt in a desert area of Apache Junction. He had a handgun in one hand and his phone in the other. After negotiations with Gilbert police he surrendered and was taken into custody.
29	Linda Meyer	4/6/2020	57	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Phoenix	Stanley Justice	Meyer was found dead with a gunshot wound April 6 in a parking garage near the area of Morten Avenue and 16th Street, police said. Stanley Justice, 64, was identified as the person accused of fatally shooting Meyer, Phoenix police Sgt. Maggie Cox said. Throughout the investigation, detectives learned Meyer was in a relationship with the suspected shooter. A citizen found Justice on April 8 in a wooded area of Williamson County, Tennessee, which is south of Nashville, Cox said.
30	Stanley Justice	4/8/2020	64	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Tennessee	Self-inflicted	Justice was found dead with an apparent self-inflicted gunshot wound.

31	Name not released	4/9/2020	69	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Buckeye	John Elwyn Smith	John Elwyn Smith, 72, called 911 shortly after 5 p.m. Thursday and told Buckeye police dispatch that he had shot and killed his wife while she slept in their home near Horsham Drive and Canyon Springs Boulevard, according to a Buckeye police news release. Smith also told dispatch he planned on shooting himself, according to the documents. Married for 49 years, Smith told dispatch his 69-year-old wife had numerous health issues and that sickness was weighing on them both. Police found Smith's wife dead in the master bedroom. After obtaining a search warrant, police found gunshot wounds on her body and blood splattered across the bed. While being questioned, Smith said that numerous things were weighing heavily on him and his wife's minds, including health issues and financial burdens. Additionally, Smith was feeling stressed about not being able to leave his house due to COVID-19, according to the documents. Smith said that his wife decided to take a nap an hour before he killed her. Before his wife fell asleep, she told Smith to get in touch with their "financial guy" and to gather documents to file their taxes. Smith decided the only way to get out of his current situation was to kill his wife. Smith went into the master bedroom and shot his wife multiple times, according to the documents.
32	Elissa Landry	4/20/2020	28	Unknown	Unknown	Chino Valley	Mitchell Allen Mincks	A former Waterloo man has been charged with murder and other offenses in the deaths of his girlfriend and her stepfather. Prosecutors with the Yavapai County Attorney's Office in Prescott, Ariz., charged Mitchell Allen Mincks, 25, with two counts each of first-degree murder, concealment of a dead body and tampering with evidence in the slayings of Elissa Landry, 28, and David Batten, 45. Batten and Landry, of Chino Valley, Ariz., were reported missing in April and their bodies were found buried in Landry's Subaru in an Evansdale neighborhood in May. Mincks, who had moved to Arizona after being released from federal prison in June 2019, was also charged with burglary for allegedly taking Batten's firearms; theft of transportation, identity theft and credit card theft for allegedly driving Landry's Subaru to Iowa following the killings and funding the trip with his victims' cards. He was also charged with two counts of being a prohibited person in possession of a firearm after two of Batten's guns that were found in Iowa, police said.
33	David Batten	4/20/2020	45	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Chino Valley	Mitchell Allen Mincks	
34	Zi-khai	4/25/2020	2 months	None	Child abuse	Tempe	Marquey Delon West	The Phoenix Police Department said they arrested Marquey Delon West this week after he confessed to his wife he shook and threw their baby. Court documents say police responded to a call near E. Broadway Road and S. 48th Street of a child not breathing around 6:30 a.m. on Monday. When investigators arrived the child was already on the way to the hospital but later died. At the time, the doctor said the death appeared natural and Zi-khai did not have external injuries, court paperwork says. The next day, the medical examiner reported finding fractures to the baby's head and ribs, however, the fractures showed signs of healing, police say. West initially said he did not have any idea how Zi-khai was hurt. On Thursday, police say his wife contacted them and said West confessed to hurting 2-month-old Zi-khai. He reportedly told investigators he was feeling frustrated after losing his job. He admitted to shaking the baby and throwing him on the bed hitting his head on a car seat, police say. West also allegedly wrapped a blanket around the baby's head covering his nose on more than 10 different occasions.
35	Steve Bassett	4/26/2020	64	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Mesa	Teri Bassett	Steve Bassett died more than a week after police say he was shot by his wife, Teri Bassett, inside their Mesa home, near Higley and Brown. On social media, Steve and Teri appeared to be a happy couple. But on April 19 their home was surrounded by cops who had their guns drawn and pointed at 63-year-old Teri. "When they asked her to put her hands up, she couldn't simply do it normal[ly], she was very much going all over the place. She even fell down at one point," said Robert Donofrio, who lives across the street. Mesa officers were there because Teri called 911 and told dispatchers she shot her husband. She also implied she acted in self-defense. Courts documents say Teri told officers "they had been drinking and got into an argument...[then Steve] came at her and she shot him." Once she was in handcuffs, investigators wrote that Teri told them "we should check their history and we would know what we needed to know." Detectives also noted a bullet hole through the master bedroom door and blood in the hallway. Steve was carried out of his home by men who were wearing the same badge he proudly did for 20 years, from 1978 to 1998, according to a Mesa police spokesperson. "We knew he was a police officer. He was a pretty nice guy," said Tim Mishler, who also lived across the street. But neighbors also knew the couple had a volatile relationship filled with turmoil. "I had heard they had a rocky relationship, to put it lightly, for a very long time. It wasn't the first time the police had come out." Officers also noted in the report a "prior history of domestic violence." "She was always yelling from her backyard, and acting crazy," said Sarah Cohen, who lived next door. Teri was only in jail for three days before being released. It is unclear why she was released, but Mesa officials say the investigation is ongoing.

36	Jose Oropeza	4/27/2020	67	2	Gunshot wound	Claypool	Abram J. Oropeza	Authorities in east-central Arizona say the victims in a double homicide were the grandparents of the 18-year-old man who lived with them and who was arrested in the case on suspicion of murder and other crimes. The Gila County Sheriff's Office on Tuesday identified the victims as 67-year-old Jose Oropeza and 70-year-old Katherine Oropeza and the arrested grandson as 18-year-old Abram J. Oropeza. The Sheriff's Office says the victims were apparently shot and that their bodies were found April 27 in their Claypool residence following a fire. GCSO says the grandson was arrested after a traffic stop by the Sheriff's Office and the state Department of Public Safety. The grandson was jailed on suspicion of two counts each of first-degree murder, arson of an occupied structure and tampering with physical evidence.
37	Katherine Oropeza	4/27/2020	70	2	Gunshot wound	Claypool	Abram J. Oropeza	
38	Tammy Welch	4/28/2020	50	2	Gunshot wound	Scottsdale	Lawrence Labine	A fatal double shooting at a Scottsdale park on Tuesday apparently was a murder-suicide involving a divorced couple, police said Wednesday. Investigators believe that the man who died at a hospital shot himself after first shooting a woman found dead at Cholla Park, said Officer Kevin Watts, a Police Department spokesman. Watts identified the woman as Tammy Welch, 50, and the man as Lawrence Labine, 59. There was no indication anybody else was involved in the incident, Watts said.
39	Lawrence Labine	4/28/2020	59	2	Gunshot wound	Scottsdale	Self-inflicted	
40	Christopher Dayton Young	5/4/2020	30	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Kingman	Christopher Robin Kacos	Mohave County Sheriff's officials said 30-year-old Christopher Dayton Young of Kingman was found dead in a roadway early Monday with gunshot wounds to the head, neck and face. They said 33-year-old Christopher Robin Kacos has been arrested and jailed on suspicion of felony second-degree murder. Sheriff's officials said Young had been living at the home Kacos owns for about a month. About 2:40 a.m. Monday, deputies responded to a reported assault at a residence on John Norman Lane, near Stockton Hill Road and Jagerson Avenue, in Kingman, according to a Mohave County sheriff's news release. A woman alleged that Young hit her on the head after she complained about loud music coming from the house. Kacos told authorities that Young told him about the assault before running into the desert. Deputies searched the area with no results, according to the news release. Dispatchers later received a report of gunshots in the area just after 4:45 a.m. and returned to Kacos' residence, the release stated. Deputies found Young dead in the road with three gunshot wounds. A shotgun and three spent shells were found near Young's body. After further investigation, deputies determined four rounds had been fired, the news release stated. Sheriff's officials said Kacos later admitted his involvement in the shooting, was arrested and taken to the Mohave County Adult Detention Facility. Kacos revealed to authorities during interviews that he and Young were in a domestic relationship, and Young lived at the residence for about a month, the news release stated.
41	Johnny Watson	5/5/2020	39	2	Gunshot wound	Glendale	Self-inflicted	Police say 36-year-old Janine Lily died at a hospital several hours after she emerged from the apartment Tuesday night after being shot and that 39-year-old Johnny Watson was later found dead of a self-inflicted gunshot wound after barricading himself in the unit. Sgt. Mercedes Fortune said officers in the interim were able to rescue the children and that officers originally went to the apartment to check on the welfare of the residents. Fortune said Lily and Watson lived together and that the children were theirs.
42	Janine Lily	5/6/2020	36	2	Gunshot wound	Glendale	Johnny Watson	
43	Jeffrey Joseph Dufour	5/10/2020	50	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Topock	Jennifer Priole	Jennifer Priole, 48, was arrested on suspicion of second-degree murder, the Mohave County Sheriff's Office said. Deputies made the arrest after responding to a domestic violence call at a home in the 13000 block of Cove Parkway in Topock about 8 p.m. Sunday, authorities said. "The female caller, later identified as Priole, advised that she shot the involved male subject," the Sheriff's Office said in a statement. "Deputies arrived on scene and observed the male subject deceased in the driveway with multiple gunshot wounds." Priole told investigators that she and the victim were arguing and that a physical altercation took place, "but no marks or injuries were found to confirm the allegations," according to the Sheriff's Office.

44	Kassondra Maloney	5/13/2020	29	Unknown	Blunt force trauma	Apache Junction	Carl Hansen	Carl Hansen is accused of second-degree murder after reporting to police that he found Maloney's body when he returned to their home near Ironwood Drive and Lost Dutchman Boulevard on May 13, said Marshall Harshman, a spokesman for Apache Junction Police Department. Preliminary investigation showed "obvious signs of trauma" to Maloney's body and prompted investigators to notify the Criminal Investigations Division, police said. Police obtained a warrant to search the home and investigated further, Harshman said. A medical examiner declared Maloney's death a homicide on May 14, and Hansen was brought in for questioning, according to officials. Hansen was booked into the Pinal County Detention Center with a bond set at \$275,000.
45	Christina Leeann Nunley	5/17/2020	34	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Tucson	Jahkwez D. Wilson and Chad E. Edmondson	Police have arrested two men in the recent shooting death of a woman at a motel. The pair is charged with first-degree murder, robbery and aggravated robbery in the May 17 death of Christina Leeann Nunley at Days Inn, 1440 S. Craycroft Road, just south of East 22nd Street. One of the suspects Jahkwez D. Wilson, 27, is Nunley's boyfriend, with whom she'd been living at the motel, the Tucson Police Department said in a May 27 news release. The second suspect is Chad E. Edmondson, 32. Tucson police said Nunley, 34, was killed after she arranged to meet up with a man who was not her boyfriend inside a different room at the same motel. Edmondson was sentenced in 2017 to 1½ years in state prison for aggravated domestic violence, according to online records of the Arizona Department of Corrections.
46	Cristina Palmares	5/18/2020	30	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Phoenix	Estevenico Palmares	Phoenix police say they have arrested a man they believe shot and killed his wife and their roommate at their Phoenix home earlier this week. Estevenico Palmares, 37, was booked on suspicion of first-degree murder. The shooting happened Monday afternoon in the area of 48th Street and Broadway Road near where Interstate 10 and State Route 143 intersect. According to police, a neighbor reported hearing gunshots earlier in the day and then saw that the door to an apartment had been left open. Officers found the bodies of two people inside-- Cristina Palmares, 30, and a 35-year-old man. The unidentified victim was said to have been a roommate of the couple. According to court documents, there was a history of domestic violence within the couple and police records from August 2019 indicated that Cristina was having an affair and Estevenico wanted a divorce. According to court records, police discovered a gun in the upstairs bedroom and found four casings at the crime scene that matched the gun. Officers then received an anonymous tip that Estevenico was near 48th Street and East Broadway Road with shopping bags. He was seen throwing the gun under a vehicle when police arrived and he started running. Phoenix police spokeswoman Sgt. Maggie Cox said that detectives spoke with Estevenico "and developed probable cause to book him into jail ...." He now faces two counts of first-degree murder. His arrest came one day after the shooting. Estavanico told police after his arrest that he wasn't supposed to have a gun because of his prior arrests, according to court documents. He admitted to being at the scene of the crime. When police asked if he shot his wife and the other person, he nodded yes but wouldn't elaborate on a motive.
47	Name not released	5/18/2020	35	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Phoenix	Estevenico Palmares	
48	Deborah L Powers	5/20/2020	59	2	Gunshot wound	Goodyear	Leonard Payne	
49	Matthew Oliver	5/20/2020	29	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Goodyear	Leonard Payne	Police say the incident occurred on May 20 at around 6:15 p.m. at a home near Sarival Avenue and Yuma Road. Officials say they arrived on scene and found a man, later identified as Leonard Payne, 57, who had died from a gunshot wound. Goodyear police say they later discovered two other potential victims, Payne's wife, identified as Deborah Powers, 59, and her son 29-year-old Matthew Oliver. Officials say Payne is the step-father to Oliver who later died at a hospital after succumbing to his injuries. It appears to be related to a domestic violence incident, but did not give further information, Goodyear police say.
50	Leonard Payne	5/20/2020	57	1	Gunshot wound	Goodyear	Self-inflicted	
51	Ryan Whitaker	5/21/2020	40	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Ahwatukee	Police	Police say officers responded to a domestic violence call late Thursday night at an apartment near Desert Foothills Parkway and Chandler Boulevard. When officers knocked on the door, they say a 40-year-old Ryan Whitaker armed with a gun opened the door. Police say Whitaker moved towards one of the officers and was shot by police. He was pronounced dead at the scene. "They [officers] made contact at the door. An individual, a 40-year-old man, came to the door. He was armed and based on that encounter, one of the officers fired at that individual, struck him, and he was pronounced deceased on the scene," Sgt. Tommy Thompson said.



52	Monique Leon	5/21/2020	28	3	Severe Injuries	Tucson	Dante Edden	They said 44-year-old Dante Edden was taken into custody Wednesday in Los Angeles on a warrant for suspicion of first-degree murder, kidnapping, robbery, burglary and theft of property. Edden is being held in the Los Angeles County Jail awaiting extradition. It was unclear Thursday if he has a lawyer yet. Tucson police said 28-year-old Monique Leon was found severely injured and died in her apartment May 21. There were no signs of a break-in and Leon's boyfriend called 911 after returning home from work, according to authorities. But police said that several days prior to the homicide, Leon had allowed an acquaintance to temporarily live with her and her family. Through interviews and evidence recovered at the scene, detectives said they identified that acquaintance as Edden.
53	Donna Archer	5/28/2020	76	Unknown	Suffocation	Scottsdale	Roger Lee Paris	Police say a family dispute led to a murder-suicide situation at a Scottsdale home where three people were found dead. Officers were called to a home on Thursday afternoon near Hayden and Osborn roads for reports of shots fired. When they arrived, they found two bodies lying in a driveway and another inside a vehicle. Detectives say a male suspect, identified as 50-year-old Roger Lee Paris, killed his aunt, 76-year-old Donna Archer, by suffocating her in a vehicle parked outside the home. He then shot his sister, 53-year-old Cheryl McCarthy, in the driveway before turning the gun on himself, according to Scottsdale police. The killings stemmed from a family disagreement, police said, but did not elaborate what the disagreement may have been about.
54	Cheryl McCarthy	5/28/2020	53	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Scottsdale	Roger Lee Paris	
55	Roger Lee Paris	5/28/2020	50	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Scottsdale	Self-inflicted	
56	Rachel Lena Sheridan	6/10/2020	25	Unknown	Gunshot trauma	Tucson	Keith Colbert	Around 11:30 a.m. Sunday, a shooting occurred at the Days Inn located at 1440 S Craycroft Road. Officers from Operations Division Midtown responded and found 25-year-old Rachel Lena Sheridan in a hotel room with gunshot trauma. She was transported to a local hospital with life-threatening injuries, where she later died on June 10. Next of kin has been notified. Detectives with the Tucson Police Aggravated Assault Unit responded to continue the investigation. Detectives learned that Sheridan was in a domestic violence relationship with Colbert. Sheridan was at the hotel hiding from Colbert when he forced his way into her room and shot her according to police. Authorities say Colbert fled the scene after the shooting. There were several witnesses in the area that observed the incident when it occurred. On June 8, 2020, Operations Division Midtown Community Response Team located Mr. Colbert at America's Best Value Inn located at 810 East Benson Highway and he was detained without incident. Colbert was charged with Domestic Violence Aggravated Assault, Attempted First Degree Murder, and Prohibited Possession of a Firearm. Colbert was booked into Pima County Jail. First Degree Murder charges are now pending.
57	Donald Ward	6/16/2020	27	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Phoenix	Police	According to police, multiple neighbors heard a fight in an upstairs apartment just before 9 p.m. Police said a call came into 911, but the caller didn't speak to the dispatcher and instead left the line open. The dispatcher heard a woman screaming and pleading not to be shot. When officers got to the apartment, they announced their presence and quickly went inside because they heard screaming. While making their way to the back bedroom, they noticed bullet holes in the apartment and heard gunshots. The police entered the room to rescue the woman and found her being held in the bathroom by a 27-year-old man. Police say the man fired another shot. That's when officers fired back, hitting him. He died at the scene.
58	Lori Williams	6/23/2020	58	Unknown	Severe Injuries	Phoenix	Jeffrey Michael Rhine	According to Tommy Thompson, a spokesman for the Phoenix Police Department, police suspect 43-year-old Jeffrey Michael Rhine of murdering his girlfriend, 58-year-old Lori Williams. On Tuesday around 4 p.m. police responded to a call for an injured woman who had been assaulted by a man in the area of 19th Avenue and Beardsley Road, Thompson said. When officers arrived to the area they found Williams seriously injured and she later died from her injuries, Thompson said. Police did not say what those injuries were.

59	Jessica Biakeddy	6/23/2020	34	Unknown	Multiple gunshot wounds	Flagstaff	Justin Colorado	Jessica Biakeddy, 34, of Gilbert, was taken to Flagstaff Medical Center, where she was pronounced dead after Flagstaff police discovered her body outside at an apartment complex on the west side of Flagstaff. Biakeddy's boyfriend, 29-year-old Justin Colorado, was then arrested on the Navajo Nation, being allegedly tied to a second shooting that occurred near Tuba City and Kaibeto. At 11:06 p.m. Tuesday, a man living in the nearby area of the incident called police to report that Biakeddy had been shot. Once officers arrived at the scene they tried to stabilize the woman until medics arrived. It is not clear how many gunshots were fired, and police searched the area and found multiple bullet casings, according to Charles Hernandez, spokesman for the Flagstaff Police Department. Biakeddy was found with gunshot wounds all over her body.
60	Meadn Meles-Hebtom	6/28/2020	7	None	Stab wounds	Phoenix	Mulu Yeman-Merach	The stabbings happened at an apartment complex near 17th and Glendale avenues. Relatives told 12 News at the time, the mother of 7-year-old Meadn and 9-year-old Arsema returned home to find her children and her sister Abraha Danait slaughtered at the hands of a 28-year-old cousin named Mulu Yeman-Merach, who lived with the family. The mother returned home after going to get breakfast and found her children and sister dead. She then ran to relatives to call the police. The family said Yeman-Merach had been drinking the night before and was under the influence. Police announced Wednesday Mulu Yeman-Merach was hospitalized from the date of the incident on June 28 until July 7. He was arrested by Phoenix police officers upon his release from the hospital. Yeman-Merach was booked into the Maricopa County Jail and is charged with three counts of first-degree murder.
61	Arsema Kidane	6/28/2020	9	None	Stab wounds	Phoenix	Mulu Yeman-Merach	
62	Abraha Danait	6/28/2020	18	Unknown	Stab wounds	Phoenix	Mulu Yeman-Merach	
63	Michelle Scott	7/3/2020	53	Unknown	Stab wounds	Black Canyon City	Donald Scott	The Yavapai County Sheriff's Office says 64-year-old Donald Scott surrendered himself at the Cottonwood Police Department Saturday after admitting he killed his wife Friday. When deputies went to the home, they discovered 53-year-old Michelle Scott dead inside. Investigators say they found evidence at the scene that matches up with Scott's story. On Monday, YCSO elaborated a little bit on the evidence, saying it had recovered the knife used in the murder. "Scott claimed ongoing marital disputes over the last several months led to the deadly assault ...," according to YCSO. Scott was booked into the Camp Verde Detention Center and charged with first-degree murder.
64	Name not released	7/4/2020	65	Unknown	Stab wounds	Peoria	Name not released	Authorities say officers received a 911 call around 6:15 a.m. that a stabbing had just occurred at a house near 91st Avenue and Bell Road. Police say someone in the house witnessed the man stabbing his wife and ran to a neighbors house for help. When officers arrived, on scene, they found the 65-year-old woman with multiple stab wounds. She was transported to a local hospital where she later died from her injuries. Officers also located the suspect, a 63-year-old man, at the home; he also had several knife injuries. He was also transported to the hospital with serious injuries and remains hospitalized. Police are investigating what led up to the incident, but believe it is an isolated domestic violence incident between a husband and wife.
65	Nellita Smith	7/9/2020	38	Unknown	Blunt force trauma	Kingman	Leanne Gail Watahomigie	Officers responded to a motel room in the 3300 block of E. Andy Devine Ave. regarding an unresponsive female late Thursday, July 9. Officers arrived and began CPR on the "lifeless" female prior to paramedics arriving and declaring the female deceased, law enforcement wrote in a news release issued late in the afternoon of Sunday, July 12. The victim has been identified as Nellita O. Smith, 38, of Peach Springs. KPD wrote that further investigation revealed injuries on Smith were consistent with blunt force trauma. KPD detectives continued the investigation and developed information that Watahomigie and Smith were in a romantic relationship and had been arguing. "During the argument investigators believe that Watahomigie struck the victim, leading to her death," KPD wrote, adding that alcohol and drugs are believed to be involved. Watahomigie reportedly admitted "limited involvement," and was arrested and booked into the Mohave County Adult Detention Facility on suspicion of second-degree homicide, in addition to a misdemeanor warrant out of Kingman Municipal Court.
66	Lori Bourque	7/20/2020	50	1	Blunt force trauma	Phoenix	Kenneth Benson	The suspect, Kenneth Benson, was booked at the 4th Avenue Jail. He is accused of murdering the victim, 50-year-old Lori Bourque. He had just moved in with her weeks ago, according to Bourque's best friend. The last time they spoke was nearly three weeks ago when Bryan says she learned about Benson. She says Bourque had been dating him and ultimately let him move in. "She said that he had been maybe in an accident or something like that and knowing Lori she wanted to help." But on July 20 around 9 p.m., Phoenix police responded to an injury call at Bourque's apartment near 15th Avenue and Camelback Road. "She was found in the kitchen. He had used what I'm reading was a construction hammer," said Bryan. Police confirmed a hammer was near Bourque's body and the gas stove was left on. Using probable cause, officers arrested Benson.

67	Qwency Begaye	7/20/2020	27	Unknown	Stab wounds	Phoenix	Daryl Early	<p>According to court documents, 33-year-old Daryl Early got into an argument with her 27-year-old husband, Qwency Begaye. Documents state that Begaye punched and broke the television and then the pair started shoving each other, according to the seven kids who lived in the apartment. That's when Early went into the kitchen and got a 4-inch knife and stabbed Begaye in the chest, police said. He then grabbed two bags of clothes and fled the apartment. Early then followed him and he collapsed in a nearby alley. Early reportedly handed a neighbor a cell phone to call 911. When officers arrived in the alley, they found Early and Begaye, who was taken to the hospital where he later died. The knife was also found in the alley. Police said Early admitted to stabbing her husband. Investigators believe she was under the influence of drugs or alcohol. She was arrested and booked into jail on a first-degree murder charge. Her bond is set at \$500,000.</p>
68	Stephanie Chacon	7/22/2020	13	None	significant injuries	Wickenburg	Carlos Eduardo Mora	<p>On July 22, sisters Stephanie Chacon, 13, and Hayli Chacon, 12, were taken from their family home and were later found on the side of the road on US 60, according to an Arizona Department of Public Safety press release obtained by PEOPLE. Upon arrival, first responders found that they had suffered "significant injuries." Later, the troopers learned that the girls were allegedly kidnapped in Phoenix and the suspect, who was seen with bloody clothing as a Wickenburg gas station, was taken into custody. He was identified as the victims' uncle, Carlos Eduardo Mora, 27, of Phoenix, according to the press release. When the troopers found the two girls, they pronounced Stephanie as deceased. Hayli was in a critical condition and was flown to a Phoenix-area hospital, where she remains in a grave state. Earlier that evening, the girls' uncle, Mora, was at the girls' family home with another man. They decided to go to a convenience store, officials said, as per Fox10. The unidentified man had planned to drive them all but he went back into the home briefly, when Mora jumped into the driver's seat. He drove away with the girls in the back seat. The unidentified man had tried to stop Mora but he just hit him with the car and sped away. Worried family members had called the girls and were able to establish contact briefly. Just like a horror movie, they heard only screaming before the call was disconnected, according to the police report. The family later found out that Mora was driving very rashly. The reason behind the kidnapping has not been revealed.</p>
69	Devin Michael Anderson Sr	8/3/3030	38	3	Gunshot wound	Phoenix	Samone Lomax	<p>Police say officers were called to the house near 99th Avenue and Broadway Road after the man called 911 saying his wife had shot him. When officers arrived on scene, they found the 37-year-old man with a gunshot wound. Police say he was rushed to the hospital with life-threatening injuries, and later died. According to police documents, the victim told paramedics that he was attempting to serve 33-year-old Samone Lomax with divorce papers. At that point, she became upset, hit him, and shot him one time in the chest. Lomax also reportedly sent a text afterward stating that she shot the victim and would be going to jail. Authorities say Lomax was arrested without incident and booked into jail for murder.</p>
70	Rachael Nicole Lee	8/20/2020	22	none	Gunshot wound	Scottsdale	Elijah Coffman	<p>It happened shortly before 1 a.m. on Thursday. Officers arrested Elijah Coffman outside his apartment complex near Scottsdale Road and Princess Boulevard. Police found the body of his wife, also 22, in the master bedroom closet of couple's apartment. Police said it looked like she had been shot in the back of her head. They also said there was a gun on the floor next to her. According to court documents, Coffman said he and his wife moved to Arizona for a fresh start after some struggles in their relationship. He had accused her of poisoning him and of cheating, allegations she denied. The probable cause for arrest statement says Coffman told detectives he had been having mood swings, anxiety, and stress, for which he was seeking medical attention. Coffman reportedly said he noticed that the medications he was prescribed sometimes stopped working, and when that happened, his symptoms were extreme and unpredictable. According to court documents, Coffman believed his wife, whose name has not been released, was poisoning him. He told police he went to the hospital after she claimed him that she had put electrolytes in his water. He then said she only told him that so he would go to the hospital. Police say what Coffman told officers on the scene does not match what he later told detectives during their interview. According to the probable cause for arrest statement, Coffman told officers at the scene that he shoved his wife into the closet and shot the wall to scare her. "After he pulled the trigger he realized he shot her, but claimed he was not sure if he shot her in the neck or head as he did not want to look," reads the probable cause statement. Police say that during the interview, he said he shot her after she pushed him. "Elijah stated that he shoved her back which knocked her onto the closet floor and he shot her," court documents read. Police say Coffman also told them that he checked for a pulse and saw that his wife had been shot in the head. Coffman was arrested on suspicion of second-degree murder and possession of a deadly weapon.</p>

71	Jasmine Licea	8/20/2020	39	5	Gunshot wound	Tonopah	Michael Berumen	<p>Inside the home, two people were found dead. They are identified as Jasmine Licea, 39, Michael Berumen, 41. Deputies say there are no outstanding suspects in this shooting. Family and friends of Licea say she's a victim of murder. Court documents filed by Licea in April say she accused her children's father, Berumen, of domestic violence. Now, four months later, their children are without parents. Family and friends say their four children were at the home when the shooting happened. A native of New Jersey, Licea moved back to her hometown several months ago with her kids. She shared three of them with Berumen. He then filed a petition for sole custody in January because she left the state. By late March, a court order required Licea to return to Arizona, so she did. But, she filed a response accusing Berumen of domestic violence. She claimed he threatened her with a gun and that his erratic behavior caused her to leave to New Jersey. She also said he allegedly used drugs. Licea wanted sole custody but by the end of July, the court dismissed the case. It appeared the couple had reconciled and the family reunited in Tonopah.</p>
72	Michael Berumen	8/20/2020	41	3	Gunshot wound	Tonopah	Self-inflicted	
73	Lisa Hollingsworth	8/24/2020	55	5	Gunshot wound	Surprise	Elbert Hollingsworth	<p>Elbert Hollingsworth, a 60-year-old living in Surprise, is suspected of shooting his wife Lisa Hollingsworth multiple times at about 3:10 a.m. on Monday in the neighborhood near Greenway and Dysart roads, Surprise Police Department spokesperson Tommy Hale said. Police were notified of the incident when Lisa Hollingsworth called 911 explaining she had been shot and needed help, Hale said. When police arrived at the scene they saw a man standing in the driveway, whom they identified as Elbert Hollingsworth. Inside the residence, they found Lisa Hollingsworth with multiple gunshot wounds. She was transported to a local West valley hospital for medical treatment, the report stated. She was later pronounced dead because of her injuries. Elbert was arrested on suspicion of first-degree murder and was booked into Maricopa County Jail, according to Hale.</p>
74	Nancy Arnold	9/5/2020	78	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Scottsdale	William Lokay	<p>Police say a 73-year-old Valley man has been arrested for allegedly killing his sister who he was taking care of. On September 5, Scottsdale police officers responded to the pair's home near 68th Street and Osborn Road to conduct a welfare check on the two of them after friends had not seen them in days. Authorities say William Lokay apparently shot his sister, 78-year-old Nancy Arnold, and then turned the gun on himself. Police say Lokay survived his injuries and was found in his home where his sister's body was still in her wheelchair.</p>
75	Name not released	9/9/2020	33	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Glendale	Name not released	<p>A man is dead after an argument led to a shooting in Glendale Wednesday. It happened around 4 p.m. in the area of 62nd Avenue and Bethany Home Road. Police say it all started when the 33-year-old victim got into an argument with the brother of his girlfriend. As the argument escalated, the brother shot the man, according to police. Initial reports said the victim was taken to the hospital with life-threatening injuries. Hours later, police confirmed he died from his injuries. Police say that the girlfriend's brother is in custody.</p>
76	Name not released	9/13/2020	1 year 10 months	Unknown	Malnourishment and difficulty breathing	Yuma	Jamie McBride James Layton Givens	<p>A Yuma couple now faces first-degree murder charges in connection with the death of their toddler daughter. They're accused of malnourishing the little girl. The Yuma Police Department (YPD) received reports of a child having difficulty breathing Sunday afternoon in the 2900 block of W. 22th Street. Prosecutors said, when police saw the 23-month-old toddler she weighed as little as 10-pounds. They also said the toddler was still wrapped in towels and sheets. They also claimed the couple bathed the toddler and took her outside before calling 911. Prosecutors said a 911 dispatcher instructed Givens to give the child emergency medical attention, but he did not. Police also report finding three other children in the home. They say they also appeared to suffer from malnourishment. Prosecutors said the children could not recall the last time they'd eaten.</p>
77	Julie Concialdi	9/25/2020	59	Unknown	Significant Injuries	Phoenix	Joseph Concialdi	<p>Julie Concialdi was last seen earlier this month at her north Phoenix home near 27th Avenue and Dove Valley Road. She was reported missing after her car was found abandoned and burned just a few miles away from her home. Phoenix police confirmed that foul play was suspected in her disappearance. Traces of Julie Concialdi's blood were found as well as what police called "evidence of a significant sanitized crime scene." Police believe that Julie Concialdi suffered significant injuries. Phoenix police confirmed that they have arrested a man, and that he was being booked on suspicion of first-degree murder. Police confirmed Wednesday morning that it is Concialdi's husband, Joseph</p>
78	Janell Mora	9/26/2020	40	2	Gunshot wound	Mesa	Stephen Mora	<p>Scottsdale Realtor, 53, is suspected of fatally shooting his wife of three years and four months on Sept. 26 as she jogged near her Mesa home at Power Road and the Loop 202, leaving her in the road. Mora then drove to the Mesa Police Department's downtown headquarters, where he shot himself in the head in his vehicle. He remains in the hospital in critical condition. Detective Nik Rasheta, a Mesa police spokesman, said officers responded to a reported shooting in the 3100 block of N. Power Road "and located Janell Mora deceased on the roadway," with witnesses present. "The suspect fled the scene and called 911 to say he shot his wife and was now suicidal. He stated he was at the police station and when officers arrived at the Main Police Headquarters, they heard a single gunshot and then observed Stephen exit the vehicle bleeding profusely from a head injury." Mora is expected to face homicide charges if he survives.</p>

79	Syeda Sohaly Akter	9/27/2020	43	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Laveen	Abul Ahsan Habib	A man and woman are dead after a murder-suicide. Phoenix police were originally called to a house near 39th Avenue and Baseline Road for a report of a husband and wife fighting. The 43-year-old wife wanted officers to remove her husband from the house. When police arrived on the scene the man had already left the house and officers gave the woman information on how to obtain an order of protection before leaving. According to police, minutes after officers left they received a 911 call from the woman saying her husband returned and the operator heard gunshots on the call and all communication stopped. When officers arrived back on the scene, they discovered the woman and her husband. Both of them were pronounced dead at the home, police said. Early indications from the scene indicate the man shot his wife and turned the gun on himself.
80	Abul Ahsan Habib	9/27/2020	52	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Laveen	Self-inflicted	
81	Danielle Long	10/2/2020	34	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Scottsdale	Charles Haeger	Around 7:00 p.m. officers responded to a shots fired call at a residence on Via De Sonrisa, near Hayden Road and McCormick Parkway. When officers arrived, they were informed that a suspect may still be inside the residence. A Scottsdale PD SWAT team was called out to assist in a possible barricade situation. Once they made their way inside they located a woman later identified as 34-year-old Danielle Breed who had been killed. Investigators say a male roommate returned to his residence after hearing multiple gunshots coming from the victim's bedroom. Moments later, the roommate says Breed's ex-boyfriend, identified as Haeger, exited the room holding a handgun. Authorities say Haeger then pointed it at the roommate. The roommate was able to escape through a back door and call 911 at a neighbor's residence. Haeger was located deceased along the South Rim of the Grand Canyon at approximately 4 p.m. from an apparent self-inflicted gunshot wound. His vehicle was found earlier Saturday afternoon near Flagstaff.
82	Charles Haeger	10/2/2020	37	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Grand Canyon	Self-inflicted	
83	David Scott Hendrix	10/3/2020	49	1	Gunshot wound	Golden Valley	Roy Dean Medlin	Mohave County Sheriff's officials say deputies responded to a home around 10 p.m. Saturday after a caller later identified as Roy Dean Medlin said he had gotten into a physical altercation with his roommate and shot him. Upon arrival, deputies say 49-year-old David Scott Hendrix was found with an apparent gunshot wound and was declared dead at the scene.
84	Cooper Hoskyns	10/11/2020	32	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Laveen	Sean Bertz	Authorities say around 4:45 a.m. Sunday, a caller reported a physical fight between roommates at a home on Minton Street, near 35th Avenue and Baseline Road. When officers arrived, they located two men suffering from gunshot wounds. Phoenix police say 34-year-old Sean Bertz shot his roommate, 32-year-old Cooper Hoskyns as he entered the home from the backyard. Bertz then reportedly shot himself.
85	Sean Bertz	10/11/2020	34	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Laveen	Self-inflicted	
86	Hamanthro Hylton	10/16/2020	34	1	Gunshot wound	Phoenix	Tamika Hylton	Police arrested Tamika Hylton on suspicion of fatally shooting her husband in a smoke shop parking lot near 35th Avenue and Van Buren Street. When police arrived at the scene they found the victim, who was identified as the business owner, dead in the parking lot with gunshot wounds to his side and head, according to a probable cause statement police filed in court. Phoenix police previously said 34-year-old Hamantro Hylton was pronounced dead on the scene on Oct. 16.
87	George Cocreham	10/20/2020	43	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Phoenix	Police	Two men were killed after police opened fire in a residential area in Phoenix on Tuesday night. The Phoenix Police Department said Wednesday that officers responded to a 911 call at a home near 22nd Street and Indian School Road around 8:45 p.m. Police responded to a domestic dispute at the house. The caller told 911 that she had barricaded herself inside her room because her son was acting strangely and she was afraid, police said.
88	Emmett Cocreham	10/20/2020	44	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Phoenix	Police	
89	Shannon Hursh	10/26/2020	46	2	Blunt force trauma	Phoenix	Paul Sarver	Phoenix police announced on Friday that 13-year-old Caden Sarver died after succumbing to his injuries sustained during a domestic violence incident earlier this week that killed his mother, 46-year-old Shannon Hursh. Police were called to a home near Interstate 17 and Jomax on Sunday around 10 p.m. after receiving a call from a neighbor who said 53-year-old Paul Sarver asked to borrow a gun to kill himself, officials said in a statement. The two responding officers were approaching the home when Sarver appeared from behind a car and pointed an object at the officers while warning that he had a gun, according to police. The officers fired their weapons at Sarver and killed him.
90	Caden Sarver	10/30/2020	13	none	Blunt force trauma	Phoenix	Paul Sarver	
91	Paul Sarver	10/25/2020	53	2	Gunshot wound	Phoenix	Police	

92	Tiana Keen	10/25/2020	45	2	Stab wounds	Marana	Unamed son	A 14-year-old boy has been arrested in connection with the death of his mother at a home in Marana, according to authorities. Pima County Sheriff's officials said the teenager was being held on suspicion of second-degree murder. His name wasn't being released because he's a juvenile. Sheriff's officials said deputies responded to a report of a disturbance at the Marana residence around 3:30 a.m. Sunday. Upon arrival, authorities said 45-year-old Tiana Keen was found inside the home with obvious signs of trauma and pronounced dead at the scene.
93	Kirstion Fish	11/2/2020	22	Unknown	Unknown	Yuma	Jorge Alan Aguilar-Hernández	21-year-old Jorge Alan Aguilar-Hernández appeared in Yuma County Justice Court on Tuesday, where he was charged with premeditated murder per domestic violence in the first-degree. Prosecutors claim Aguilar-Hernández admitted to investigators he planned to murder 22-year-old Kirstion Fish of Oregon after he picked her up from Phoenix International Airport on November 2. According to prosecutors, Aguilar-Hernández claimed Kirstion owed him \$5,000 and ultimately decided to end her life. Kirstion's father, Shawn Fish, tells news 11 that Aguilar-Hernández offered his daughter a job as a diesel mechanic in Yuma. She took him up on his offer, and wanted to pursue this new opportunity. Her body was later found in Yuma County between County 18th Street and Avenue 1E last week.
94	Wendy Jones	11/7/2020	56	2	Gunshot wound	Village of Oak Creek	Police	At approximately 6:50 p.m. Saturday, sheriff's deputies responded to a domestic disturbance in the area of 55 Cathedral Rock Drive in the Village of Oak Creek. According to a Nov. 9 YCSO media release, a woman was suspected to have discharged a firearm. Upon arrival, deputies were confronted by the woman, identified as Wendy Jones, who was outside of her residence and armed with a handgun. After multiple attempts at de-escalation and negotiation, as well as numerous verbal commands to drop the weapon, the woman brandished the firearm, YCSO reported. "In response to the threat to himself and the other first responders, a patrol sergeant and 16-year veteran of the Yavapai County Sheriff's Office fired a single shot that struck the assailant. Jones, was pronounced dead at the scene.
95	Chris A. Mellon	11/11/2020	61	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Scottsdale	Police	Scottsdale police fatally shot an armed man on a house's roof after he allegedly pointed a gun at officers responding to a report of a domestic dispute, a Police Department spokesman said. Sgt., Ben Hoster said police went to the home Wednesday after getting reports of a domestic fight involving the man and his wife. According to Hoster, the man was armed, acting erratically and had made threats against family members. Hoster said two officers shot at the man because they feared for the safety of other officers who were trying to remove family members from the house. Hoster said the man killed was Chris A. Mellon, 1, and that he was arrested in December 2018 on charges of domestic violence-assault and disorderly conduct. An online court docket states that the assault charge was dismissed and that Mellon pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct.
96	Amy "Ruby" Leagans	11/17/2020	49	Unknown	Choked	Phoenix	Timothy Sullivan	Sullivan reportedly admitted to police that he was at Leagans' Chandler apartment when she began yelling at him and "he snapped." Documents say Sullivan choked Leagans to death and left her body in the apartment for two days. He then told officials he wrapped the victim in a tarp and buried her in a backyard near Chaparral and Granite Reef roads in Scottsdale. Sullivan said he exhumed the body after he "became worried," dismembered her body, and placed the remains in separate bags in trash cans throughout the Valley. Her torso was reportedly placed in the desert area. Investigators determined Leagans moved to Arizona from Illinois during the summer with a friend. She reportedly met Sullivan and the two started a relationship, documents show. However, at one point, there was a report made that Sullivan, who police say has a history of domestic violence offenses, assaulted Leagans
97	Rebecca Vanderwall	11/21/2020	45	2	Gunshot wound	Mesa	Ronald Makinson	olice say during an investigation it was determined an argument started between 49-year-old Ronald Makinson and his wife, 45-year-old Rebecca Vanderwall. Witnesses tell police that the couple got into an argument over a home repair project. The two then moved into the master bedroom, where the argument continued. Police say the couple's adult daughter also entered the room. Witness reported hearing the pair fighting, and then numerous gunshots. Mesa police say Makinson shot Vanderwall and then his daughter before finally turning the gun on himself. Other family members were present and witnessed portions of the incident.
98	Ronald Makinson	11/21/2020	49	2	Gunshot wound	Mesa	Self-inflicted	
99	Christopher Michael Albert Prince	12/16/2020	29	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Tucson	Spouse	Christopher Michael Albert Prince, 29, was pronounced dead at the scene of the shooting, a home in the 6900 block of South Avenida del Abrazo on Wednesday afternoon. A second man was inside the house at the time of the shooting and was detained by police. He was described as being Prince's spouse. Detectives determined that Prince had gone to the residence to retrieve personal property from his spouse when an argument began. As the argument escalated, police said Prince got a large knife. His spouse, police said, retrieved a handgun and when the argument turned physical, gunshots were fired and Prince was struck. Police officers and fire personnel performed first aid on Prince, but he was pronounced dead at the scene, police said.
100	Sebastian Phillip Foye	12/19/2020	10	None	Gunshot wound	Tucson	Phillip Emmanuel Foye	Tucson police went to a home in the 10000 block of East Palmetto Pointe Trail, near Houghton and Drexel roads to check on the people in the home. When no one answered the door, officers obtained a warrant and SWAT officers assisted in entering the house. Inside police found Phillip Emmanuel Foye, 40, dead from an apparent self-inflicted gunshot wound. Sebastian Phillip Foye, 10, also was found shot to death. "Based on the initial investigation, detectives believe Phillip Foye was the only adult in the home armed with a firearm," police said in a news release. "Investigators believe Mr. Foye fired his weapon at the juvenile male before turning the gun on himself."
101	Phillip Emmanuel Foye	12/19/2020	40	1	Gunshot wound	Tucson	Self-inflicted	

102	Name not released	12/20/2020	57	Unknown	Gunshot wound	Mesa	Dustin Hegreberg	<p>Maricopa County Sheriff's Office deputies responded to a report of blood in the home on Sunday at about 6 p.m., when they found the father and pronounced him dead on the scene, according to court documents, which said that he appeared to be dead for at least several hours. Police also found several semiautomatic shell casings in another bedroom, which had large amounts of blood and seemed to be where the shooting occurred, according to court documents. Sheriff's Office detectives also responded to the scene and learned that Hegreberg had been visiting from Illinois since Wednesday and was the last person to see his father alive, court documents said. During an interview with police, Hegreberg said he and his father got in a fight over sleeping arrangements, court documents said. Hegreberg told police his father was nervous, retrieved a gun from the nightstand and fired three rounds at close range after they "struggled" near the master bed, court documents said. Hegreberg said he was hit in the right forearm by one shot and was grazed by the others, took control of the gun and fired two shots into his father's stomach, court documents said. He then took plastic from the garage and used it to drag his father to another room, according to the probable cause statement. Hegreberg said he then poured bleach on his father's body to mask the odor about 45 minutes later, court documents said. Hegreberg told two family members about the incident but did not contact law enforcement, according to court documents. He initially started driving back to Illinois but returned to an area where he was met by Sheriff's Office deputies, court documents said. Hegreberg was arrested near Mesa on suspicion of second-degree murder, manslaughter and tampering with physical evidence, according to court documents.</p>
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