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HOMICIDE INVESTIGATION 2615 SOUTH 6TH AVENUE **CORRECTED INFORMATION**

The City of South Tucson Police Department, with the assistance of the Pima County Sheriff's Department, are investigating a fatal shooting that occurred Sunday morning (06/20/2021) at 2615 S 6th Avenue.

On June 20, 2021, at approximately 1:00 a.m., City of South Tucson Police Officers were dispatched to a report of a shooting at 2615 S. 6th Avenue (Café Santa Rosa). Upon arrival, officers located an adult male on the southeast side of the property with several gunshot wounds. Officers immediately began rendering first aid utilizing their Individual First-Aid Kits (IFAK). City of South Tucson Fire personnel arrived and took over medical treatment. An ambulance was called to transport the victim to a hospital. The victim succumbed to his wounds while in the hospital. The victim was identified as 39-year-old Aaron Elando (*not Eleando*). Next of kin has been notified.

Detectives determined that a verbal altercation between Elando and another person or persons occurred inside of the banquet hall. One of the persons fired a handgun inside the banquet hall. After hearing the gunshot, patrons of the banquet hall fled into the parking lot of the café. While in the parking lot, Elando pointed his weapon in the direction of one of the musicians from the band that was playing in the hall, who was now in the parking lot with the patrons. The band member and his brother fired their weapons at Elando striking Eleando several times. Both the patron and his brother were questioned regarding the shooting. The band member and his brother are not familiar with Elando and have never met him prior to the incident. Pima County Sheriff's Department Homicide Detectives arrived on scene shortly after to assist in the investigation. At this time there are no arrest or charges. Investigation is ongoing.

Detectives investigating the case ask anyone with information about the shooting to please call 88-CRIME (520-882-7463). You can remain anonymous.