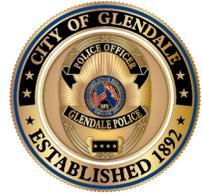




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Glendale Police Identify Suspect from Officer Involved Shooting

GLENDALE, AZ. – Glendale Police identify 24-year-old Gabino Hernandez (Glendale resident) as the suspect who shot at an off-duty officer.

On July 13, 2021, just after 3PM, an off-duty patrol officer leaving the Gateway sub-station observed a vehicle involved in a single vehicle hit in run collision in the area of 8600 W Cardinal Way. The officer called 9-1-1 and followed the suspect, Gabino Hernandez, who was the single occupant of the vehicle. Hernandez drove the vehicle to a park in the area of 7900 W San Miguel and jumped out of the vehicle while the vehicle was still in motion. The vehicle continued forward and crashed into a canal submerging the vehicle. The officer continued to follow Hernandez and confronted him while identifying himself as a Glendale Police Officer. Hernandez turned toward the officer and fired one round toward the officer. The officer returned fire at Hernandez. The officer looked away to put his vehicle in reverse and heard another round being fired. No one was hit by the gunfire.

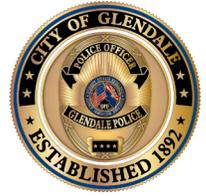
Hernandez fled through the park and stole a bicycle while fleeing the area. The officer lost sight of Hernandez and responding officers set up a perimeter in the neighborhood. Officers eventually located Hernandez in the area of 7700 W Medlock Drive where he was taken into custody.

Hernandez was booked into jail and is facing aggravated assault charges. Other charges may still be pending.



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Suspect: Gabino Hernandez Jr (24-year-old)