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### HOMICIDE INVESTIGATION 4100 BLOCK OF EAST 29<sup>TH</sup> STREET

**\*\*\*UPDATE – July 9, 2021\*\*\***

Detectives from the Violent Crimes Unit have made an arrest in the fatal shooting of 18-year-old **Felix Alexandrew Pichardo**. Investigators developed information through interviews and forensic evidence identifying the suspect as 15-year-old **Terrayne Newsome**. A warrant for 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Murder was obtained for his arrest on July 8, 2021.

On July 9, 2021, officers from Operations Division Midtown/Community Response Team located Newsome at a residence in the 700 block of W. Lightstar Circle. Newsome was taken into custody and subsequently booked into Pima County Jail on the 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Murder warrant.



Terrayne Newsome

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**Sergeant Richard Gradillas – July 9, 2021**

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On July 7, 2021, just after 12:30 p.m., officers from Operations Division Midtown were dispatched to a shooting victim in the 4100 block of E. 29<sup>th</sup> St. Upon arrival, officers found bystanders tending to the victim and immediately began

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rendering aid. Tucson Fire Medics also arrived and continued rendering aid, ultimately transporting the victim to Banner University Medical Center with life-threatening injuries. Shortly after arriving at the hospital, the victim succumbed to his injuries and passed away. Officers identified the victim as 18-year-old **Felix Alexandrew Pichardo**. Next of kin has been notified.

Detectives from the Violent Crimes Unit were briefed and responded to continue the investigation. Through interviews and evidence collected at the scene, investigators learned that the victim was involved in a physical confrontation with known individuals. The confrontation escalated to gunfire at which time Felix Pichardo was shot. In furtherance of the investigation, detectives identified a nearby apartment. A search warrant was obtained for the apartment, which was served by Tucson SWAT. Detectives located additional evidence in the apartment and are actively pursuing leads in the case. Anyone with information is asked to call 88-CRIME. You can remain anonymous. Additional details will be provided as they become available.

### Homicides Year to Date:

2020 - 28

2021 - 43

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