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### HOMICIDE INVESTIGATION 8000 BLOCK OF EAST SUNDEW DRIVE

On the night of August 5, 2021, at approximately 8:45 p.m., patrol officers from Operations Division East were dispatched to a residence in the 8000 block of E. Sundew Dr. for a report of a shooting. Prior to their arrival, officers were advised that two people had been shot in the home.

When officers arrived, they found that both victims were unresponsive and immediately began rendering aid to them. Tucson Fire personnel arrived and continued rendering aid. Despite life-saving efforts, 34-year-old **Jamarr Jones** was pronounced deceased at the scene. The second victim, 13-year-old **Avointae T. Sices**, was transported to St. Joseph's Hospital with life-threatening injuries. Sadly, Avointae succumbed to his injuries shortly after arriving to the hospital. Next of kin have been notified.

Detectives from the Homicide Unit were briefed on the incident and undertook the investigation. Several interviews were conducted while the scene was processed. Detectives learned that the suspect had arrived to the home and was involved in a verbal confrontation with the residents. As the confrontation escalated, the suspect produced a firearm at which time the two victims were shot. The suspect then fled the scene – as the other residents called 911. Detectives identified the suspect as 25-year-old **Lorenzo Crowder**. Additionally, detectives learned that Crowder has a domestic relationship with at least one of the residents.

While investigators were still processing the scene, Crowder arrived to the home and was taken into custody by officers. Detectives have charged Crowder with two counts of 1<sup>st</sup> Degree Murder and he is currently being held in the Pima County Jail. Additional charges are pending and detectives are asking anyone with information to call 88-CRIME. You can remain anonymous.

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