Youngtown Drive-By Shooting Suspect Connected to Other Valley Drive-By Shootings

Suspect Also Wanted In Florida

(Maricopa County, AZ) Maricopa County Sheriff’s Deputy’s arrested 23-year-old Daniel Alexander Rodriguez in connection with a Valentine’s Day drive-by shooting in Youngtown around 1:30 in the afternoon.

The shooting occurred at a residence, 10388 N. 116th Lane, in Youngtown while three occupants of the home were inside, a 16-year-old girl and her parents. No one was injured in the shooting and Sheriff’s deputies later identified that the 16-year-old resident of the home was having a relationship with Rodriguez.

Rodriguez, who was using a false identification because he is wanted in Florida for burglary and resisting arrest, has also been linked to two other shootings in the valley.

On January 31st, Sheriff’s deputies responded to a shooting at the intersection of 116th Lane and Cheryl Drive. A resident reported seeing Rodriguez and the 16-year-old female arguing. Rodriguez then fired several 9mm rounds randomly at a home to the north in an effort to scare the teenager. The female entered the car and they drove off together. A third shooting recently occurred in Phoenix where Rodriguez is suspected of shooting at a house where the 16-year-old girl was staying.

Sheriff’s deputies located Rodriguez at his residence near 40th Street and McDowell Road. Rodriguez was booked into the 4th Avenue Jail on charges of kidnapping, aggravated assault, shooting at an occupied structure, weapon misconduct and identity theft.