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Police Press Release

INCIDENT	Homicide **Update with Suspect Information**
DATE - TIME	December 10, 2023 5:15 a.m.
LOCATION	2700 Block of Ingalls Street, Edgewater, CO
VICTIM	Miguel Angel Barboza (DOB 11/29/1994), City of Edgewater resident
SUSPECT	Kyle Damien Valdez (DOB 6/23/1994) City of Denver resident
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Details

UPDATE

The suspect in the December 10th shooting detailed below has been identified as 29-year-old Denver resident Kyle Valdez. Valdez is suspected of shooting and killing Miguel Barboza inside an Edgewater apartment in the early morning hours of 12/10/23. Valdez was being treated at a local hospital for injuries sustained during Sunday's incident but was released by medical staff this afternoon. Investigators from the Edgewater Police Department were present and arrested Valdez and later booked him into the Jefferson County jail. Valdez was arrested on charges of Murder in the First Degree.

The charges are merely legal allegations, and Kyle Valdez is presumed innocent of the charges against him unless and until he is proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt.

On December 10, 2023, at approximately 5:18 a.m., officers from the Edgewater Police Department were dispatched to a disturbance in the 2700 block of Ingalls Street. When officers arrived, they were directed to a 2nd story apartment unit where they located a male subject suffering from at least one gunshot wound. Emergency medical personnel attended to the victim but he ultimately died as a result of his injuries. Officers also located an additional individual suffering from head trauma. This individual was transported to a local hospital and is listed in critical condition.



Preliminary investigation indicates there was an altercation inside the apartment between known parties which led to the shooting. The victim was a 29-year old male who was an Edgewater resident. His name is being withheld until his family is notified. The individual suffering from head trauma, identified as a 29-year old Denver resident, is considered a person of interest in the homicide at this time and his identification is pending both further investigation and his medical prognosis.

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