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## **Press Release:**

### **Shots Fired:**

On Monday, August the 10<sup>th</sup> at approximately 2:18 in the afternoon, Cottonwood Police responded to the area of North Main and 12th Street for a report of shots fired. When Officers arrived on scene they met with the reported victim, a 54 year old male, who stated 25 year old Shyan Atkins of Clarkdale, had just fired two rounds from a .45 caliber handgun into the pavement at his feet. The victim told officers he had observed a black Dodge pickup driven by Shyan Atkin, "driving through my neighborhood". The victim then advised officers he got into his pickup and drove out to N Main ST and witnessed Atkins pull into a business located in 500 block N Main ST. The victim pulled into the same parking lot and pulled next to Atkins vehicle to see why he was driving through his neighborhood. He pulled next to Atkins vehicle, driver door to driver's door. The victim then reported that he got out of his vehicle and told Atkins, "We need to talk". The victim stated that Atkins pulled out a "black handgun, the kind you rack", and shot two rounds at him. Atkins then told the victim the next bullet was for him. Atkins then left the area in the black Dodge pickup northbound on N Main ST.



On Wednesday, Cottonwood Detectives located the vehicle Atkins was driving at a home on West Fir. With the help of Patrol Officers, Cottonwood Police K-9, and Detectives from GIITEM, a perimeter was established around the home until such time detectives were able to confirm Atkins was in fact inside the residence. Once they verified Atkins was present, a Cottonwood Police Negotiator placed a call to Atkins asking him to step outside. Atkins complied with officers orders and was subsequently taken into custody.

Atkins was transported to the YCSO Jail where he is currently being held on Felony charges of Aggravated Assault per Domestic Violence, Threatening and Intimidating per Domestic Violence, Discon per Domestic Violence, and Prohibited Possessor of a Firearm. The investigation is still ongoing.