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DELAYED FATAL MOTORCYCLE COLLISION EAST GRANT ROAD AND NORTH ALVERNON WAY

On May 8, 2022, at approximately 3:44 p.m., officers from Operations Division Midtown were dispatched to the intersection of E. Grant Rd. and N. Alvernon Way for the reports of a collision involving an a red 2015 Ford Focus and a black 2020 Harley-Davidson FXST Motorcycle. Tucson Fire personnel responded and transported the rider of the motorcycle to Banner University Medical Center with life-threatening injuries.

Traffic Unit Detectives were contacted and responded to the scene to continue the investigation. Interviews conducted by officers and detectives determined that the motorcycle was traveling northbound on N. Alvernon Way in the curb lane approaching E. Grant Rd. on a green light. As the rider was entering the intersection the Ford Focus was making a left turn from southbound Alvernon Way onto eastbound Grant Rd. in front of the motorcycle. This caused the motorcycle to turn on its side and collided with the Ford within the intersection.

The driver of the Ford immediately stopped after the collision and cooperated with investigation. An officer with the DUI Unit responded to the scene and evaluated the driver of the Ford for impairment. It was determined that the driver was <u>not</u> impaired at the time of the collision.

Failure to yield making a left turn by the driver of the Ford is the major contributing factor in the collision.

On May 14, 2022, the Office of the Medical Examiner (OME) notified the Tucson Police Department that the motorcycle rider had passed away due to his injuries sustained during the collision. He has been identified as 30-year-old **Josef Carlisle Nicholai Carisbarone**. Next of kin has been notified of his passing.

This is an ongoing investigation and no charges or citations have been issued at this time.

Traffic Fatalities Year to Date:

 For 2021 – 31
 For 2022 – 38

 Pedestrian – 11
 Pedestrian – 19

 Bicycle – 02
 Bicycle – 01

 Motorcycle – 06
 Motorcycle – 08

 Vehicle – 12
 Vehicle – 10

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