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FATAL PEDESTRIAN COLLISION NORTH ALVERNON WAY AND EAST BLACKLIDGE DRIVE

On April 8, 2022, just before 9:00 p.m., officers from Operations Division Midtown and personnel from the Tucson Fire Department were dispatched to a report of a collision involving a pedestrian at the intersection of N. Alvernon Wy. and E. Blacklidge Drive. The pedestrian was pronounced deceased upon first responders' arrival. The Traffic Investigations Unit was notified and responded to the scene.

Interviews conducted by officers and detectives at the scene determined that the pedestrian was attempting to cross Alvernon Wy. from east to west. A white 1992 Jeep Cherokee was traveling southbound on Alvernon Wy. – in the curb lane – when it struck the pedestrian. The driver of the Jeep immediately stopped after the collision and cooperated with the investigation. An officer from the DUI Unit responded to the scene and determined that the driver was not impaired.

Investigators learned that the pedestrian, a male in his 60s, was in an unmarked crosswalk when he was struck. Detectives are reviewing witness statements, which indicate that the pedestrian was difficult to see as he crossed the street. The investigation is ongoing and no charges or citations have been issued at this time. The pedestrian's identity is being withheld pending next of kin notification.

Fatalities Year to Date:

For 2021 - 22	For 2022 - 31
Pedestrian - 10	Pedestrian- 15
Bicycle - 2	Bicycle - 1
Motorcycle - 4	Motorcycle - 5
Vehicle - 6	Vehicle - 10

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