



## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## **FATAL PEDESTRIAN COLLISION** SOUTH 12<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE AND WEST CALLE RAMONA

Last night, just after 8:00 p.m., officers from Operations Division South were dispatched to a report of a vehicle collision involving a pedestrian on S. 12th Ave. near W. Calle Ramona. Upon arrival, Tucson Fire Department personnel pronounced the male pedestrian deceased. Officers identified the pedestrian as 56-year-old **Anthony D. Jones**. His family was notified of his passing. Traffic Unit Detectives were contacted and continued the investigation.

Interviews conducted at the scene determined that Mr. Jones was attempting to cross 12th Ave. from west to east. As he was crossing, a blue 2004 Ford F-150 pickup struck Mr. Jones as it traveled northbound in the curb lane. The driver of the pickup 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, a male in his 30s, was not impaired. Detectives noted that this stretch of roadway has street lights on both sides of the road and that they were operational. Mr. Jones was not in a marked or unmarked crosswalk when he was attempting to cross the roadway. Detectives believe midblock crossing is the major contributing factor at this time. The investigation remains ongoing and no charges or citations have been issued.

## **Fatalities Year to Date:**

For 2021 - 24 For 2022 - 33 Pedestrian - 10 Pedestrian- 17 Bicycle - 2 Bicycle - 1 Motorcycle - 4 Motorcycle - 5 Vehicle - 8 Vehicle - 10

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