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Glendale Police Release Names in Fatal Crash on Grand Avenue

GLENDALE, Ariz. – On Saturday, August 1, 2015 at approximately 1:30pm officers responded to the area of 4700 N.W. Grand Avenue for a multi-vehicle collision. There were three vehicles involved and units from both Glendale and Phoenix Fire responded to treat the injured. The driver of one of the vehicles, 36-year old Steven Mendez of Scottsdale, was treated on-scene and transported to a local hospital but was later declared deceased. A second driver, 41-year old Isaac Rosario of Tucson, was treated on-scene but declared deceased by Fire. A female child was also transported to a local hospital with serious injuries. An adult female driver in a third vehicle suffered minor injuries but was not transported from the scene.

Vehicular Crimes Detectives responded to conduct the investigation. The initial investigation has allowed us to determine that Mendez was travelling southeast on Grand Avenue in his SUV. He left the roadway to the south striking two light poles and then went across all southeast bound lanes, across the center median and into oncoming traffic. It was then that his SUV collided with the two northwest bound sedans driven by Rosario and the other adult female.

The investigation is ongoing and it is unknown if speed and/or impairment had any role in the collision. Grand Avenue has been closed since the time of the collision but should reopen at around 9:30pm.

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