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## **Glendale Police Seek Help Identifying Suspect in Hit and Run Fatality Accident**

**GLENDALE, Ariz.** – On Thursday, November 19, 2015, at approximately 6:15pm, Glendale Police Officers received a 911 call of a pedestrian down in the roadway at 4300 W. Bethany Home Road. On arrival, the investigation revealed 42 year old valley resident Dale Wensel was riding his bicycle north on N. 43<sup>rd</sup> Avenue and crossing W. Bethany Home Road northbound in the crosswalk when he was struck by a vehicle travelling east through the red light.

The vehicle was described by witnesses as a white full size van, with a large sliding door and dark tinted windows. The van turned south as it struck Dale and continued south from W. Bethany Home Road with the bicycle stuck under the front of the van. The bicycle was dislodged as the van fled the scene. Dale was treated at the scene and transported to a local trauma center where he was later pronounced deceased from injuries relating to the collision.

Glendale Police Vehicular Crimes Investigators assumed the investigation. At this time, they have no suspect leads and no further information on the vehicle except a description. The suspect vehicle again is believed to be a newer full sized White van with dark tinted windows. The van would be expected to have front end damage.

Investigators are seeking the community's help identifying the driver and the vehicle used in this hit and run accident. The Glendale Police Department encourages anyone that has any information no matter how insignificant they may feel it is to please call the Glendale Police Department at (623) 930-3000 or Silent Witness at 480-WITNESS.

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