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Glendale Police Seek Help Solving Fatal Hit and Run

GLENDALE, Ariz. – On Saturday, April 26th, 2014, between 11:00pm and 11:15pm, 62 year old Glendale resident, Pete Rivas, was struck and killed by a White 4-Door SUV in the roadway near the N. 60th Avenue and Bethany Home Road.

The investigation revealed Mr. Rivas was crossing Bethany Home Road from north to south in an unmarked crosswalk at N. 60th Avenue when he was struck by a White 4-Door SUV traveling eastbound on Bethany Home. The SUV also had dark tinted windows and custom rims and tires. The driver of the White 4-Door SUV failed to stop and seek help for Rivas who was badly injured and instead, drove to the nearby Circle K at N. 59 Avenue and W. Bethany Home Road. Information received by investigators indicated the black male driver then parked his vehicle, got out to look at the front of it, then got back into his vehicle, fleeing south on N. 59 Avenue with another black male passenger prior to police arrival. The driver was described as a black male, about 30 years old with a muscular build and short dark hair, possibly braided.

Glendale Police Vehicular Crimes Investigators gathered evidence from the scene, which included damaged vehicle parts. At this time, investigators have yet to be able to determine the make or the model of the White 4-Door SUV. However, investigators believe the White 4-Door SUV sustained noticeable damage to the frontend, from the front mid to passenger's side of the vehicle.

Investigators have obtained surveillance video of the vehicle. The quality is not good, and investigators are attempting to enhance the video before it is released. However, investigators have provided a surveillance photo of the White 4-Door SUV they are attempting to locate. See attached photo for release to the public.

The Glendale Police Department is asking for the community's assistance in solving this crime. If you know of anyone or any vehicle that matches the above description, or if you have any information that might assist Glendale Investigators, no matter how insignificant you might think it is, please contact the Glendale Police Department immediately at 623-930-3000 or Silent Witness at 480-Witness.

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