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Glendale Police Seek Help in Overnight Fatal Hit and Run Accident

GLENDALE, Ariz. – Last night, a little before 11:30pm, Glendale Police recieved a call of a pedestrian struck in the roadway by a vehicle in the 6000 block of W. Bethany Home Road. Upon arrival at the scene, Glendale Police Officers located 62 year old Glendale resident, Pete Rivas, with life threatening injuries. Mr. Rivas was treated at the scene by Glendale Fire Paramedics and transported to a local valley hospital where he was later declared deceased.

The investigation revealed Mr. Rivas was crossing 6000 W. Bethany Home Road from north to south in an unmarked crosswalk area when he was struck by an unknown make/model/year/ white SUV with dark tinted windows and custom rims and tires traveling eastbound on Bethany Home. Information recieved by detectives indicates a black male driver failed to stop and seek help for the badly injured pedestrian and instead, drove to the nearby Circle K at N. 59 Avenue and W. Bethany Home Road. The 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.

This is an ongoing, active investigation. Detectives with the Glendale Police Vehicular Crimes Unit are seeking the community's assistance. If you know of anyone or any vehicle that matches the above

description, please contact the Glendale Police Department immediately at 623-930-3000 or Silent Witness at 480-Witness.

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