



Phoenix Police Department
Public Affairs Bureau
620 West Washington Street, Phoenix, Arizona 85003



MEDIA ADVISORY

Date/Time: June 10, 2023 just before 9:45 p.m.
Incident: 2023-887514
Location: 4200 West Glendale Avenue
Victim: Ricardo Martinez, 35-year-old male, deceased
Suspect: Matthew Rhoades, 47-year-old male, MCSO Booking# T839291

Traffic Fatality Involving an Impaired Driver and a Pedestrian Crossing Mid-block

(June 11, 2023): Phoenix police are investigating a fatal traffic collision that left a man dead and another behind bars.

Phoenix police officers responded to serious vehicle collision in the area of 43rd and Glendale Avenues. When officers arrived, they found a vehicle stopped in the roadway with a man, later identified as 35-year-old Ricardo Martinez, on top of the vehicle with obvious signs of trauma. The fire department responded and transported the Martinez to the hospital where he died from his injuries. The driver, later identified as 47-year-old Matthew Rhoades, remained on scene and did not suffer any injuries.

Detectives responded to investigate the collision. After reviewing the evidence and speaking to witnesses they learned Martinez crossed Glendale Avenue mid-block and was struck by an eastbound vehicle driven by Rhoades. Rhoades was evaluated by a DUI Motor officer who determined Rhoades displayed signs of impairment.

Rhoades was later booked for Aggravated DUI for driving impaired with a suspended driving privilege. The investigation remains active.

Sergeant Phil Krynsky
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