



**Phoenix Police Department**  
**Public Affairs Bureau**  
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# MEDIA ADVISORY

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**Date/Time:** September 19, 2023, around 5:28 p.m.  
**Incident:** 2023-1430609  
**Location:** 4300 East McDowell Road  
**Victim:** Otis Hayward, 46-year-old, deceased

## **Evening Time Collision Leaves Motorcycle Rider Dead**

(September 20, 2023) Phoenix Police detectives are investigating an east Phoenix collision that left a man dead.

On September 19, 2023, around 5:30 p.m. officers responded to the area of 43<sup>rd</sup> Street and McDowell Road regarding a collision involving a motorcycle. When officers arrived, they located the adult male motorcycle rider, identified as 46-year-old Otis Hayward. Hayward was transported to a local hospital where he did not survive his injuries and was pronounced deceased. The other vehicle involved remained on scene.

Detectives responded to take over the investigation. Preliminary information suggests that Hayward was traveling westbound on McDowell Road when the other vehicle involved turned left onto 43<sup>rd</sup> Street resulting in the collision. No other injuries resulted from the collision. Impairment is not believed to be a factor in the incident. Specifics about what led up to the collision remain part of the ongoing investigation.

*Sergeant Rob Scherer*  
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